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Section 1.—Population and Vital Statistics. AREA AND POPULATION.

State or Territory.	Area— Square Miles.	Population (Excluding full-blood Aboriginals).						
		Census—30th June, 1954.(a)			Estimate—30th September, 1954.			Capital Cities, 30th June, 1954.(a)
		Males.	Females.	Persons.	Males.	Females.	Persons.	
N.S.W. . .	309,433	1,720,950	1,702,768	3,423,718	1,728,093	1,711,256	3,439,349	1,863,217
Victoria..	87,884	1,230,969	1,221,368	2,452,337	1,239,110	1,228,801	2,467,911	1,524,062
Q'land ..	670,500	676,451	641,942	1,318,393	677,608	643,636	1,321,244	502,353
S. Aust...	380,070	403,978	393,181	797,159	405,711	394,561	800,272	483,535
W. Aust.	975,920	330,339	309,377	639,716	332,382	312,230	644,612	348,596
Tasmania	26,215	157,123	151,660	308,783	157,270	151,664	308,934	95,223
N. Terr...	523,620	10,281	6,171	16,452	10,299	6,268	16,567	8,071
A.C.T. . .	939	16,229	14,086	30,315	16,591	14,304	30,895	28,277
Australia	2,974,581	4,546,320	4,440,553	8,986,873	4,567,064	4,462,720	9,029,784	4,853,334

(a) Preliminary Count.

ESTIMATED POPULATION, EXCLUDING FULL-BLOOD ABORIGINES.

Year.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Nor. Terr.	A.C.T.	Australia.
AT 30TH JUNE.									
1939	2,748,393	1,878,480	1,018,007	596,563	470,044	237,419	6,281	12,567	6,967,754
1951a	3,278,898	2,276,694	1,227,776	732,470	580,317	286,209	15,601	24,009	8,421,974
1952a	3,340,177	2,344,585	1,259,572	755,102	599,823	296,321	15,453	25,678	8,636,711
1953a	3,384,242	2,395,300	1,291,526	775,841	620,501	304,107	15,839	28,304	8,815,660
1954b	3,423,718	2,452,337	1,318,393	797,159	639,716	308,783	16,452	30,315	8,986,873

AT 31ST DECEMBER.

1938	2,737,191	1,871,099	1,005,523	595,842	466,684	242,119	5,730	11,721	6,935,909
1950a	3,241,810	2,237,287	1,205,484	722,878	572,626	290,346	14,413	22,808	8,307,652
1951a	3,315,528	2,299,653	1,238,362	743,828	590,307	301,805	14,605	24,041	8,528,129
1952a	3,368,572	2,366,791	1,271,362	768,624	612,895	309,583	14,758	27,262	8,739,847
1953a	3,409,334	2,416,054	1,298,543	785,728	631,692	316,495	15,619	29,543	8,903,008

(a) Revised in accordance with the preliminary results of the Census of 30th June, 1954.
(b) Preliminary Census results.

ESTIMATED MEAN POPULATION, EXCLUDING FULL-BLOOD ABORIGINES.

Year.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Nor. Terr.	A.C.T.	Australia.
YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE.									
1939	2,735,400	1,872,287	1,008,207	595,131	466,896	237,637	5,932	11,965	6,933,455
1951a	3,239,159	2,242,986	1,207,280	721,880	570,323	283,540	14,820	23,245	8,303,213
1952a	3,312,685	2,309,822	1,239,952	743,356	589,855	293,558	15,121	24,704	8,528,853
1953a	3,366,944	2,372,437	1,272,350	766,592	611,150	302,553	15,229	27,209	8,734,464
1954	3,405,735	2,422,858	1,300,590	786,043	630,655	309,445	15,914	29,425	8,900,665

YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER.

1938	2,722,378	1,865,251	1,001,996	593,242	463,808	236,323	5,804	11,534	6,900,341
1950a	3,193,851	2,209,100	1,191,139	709,506	557,857	278,796	14,304	22,884	8,177,437
1951a	3,250,270	2,276,391	1,223,794	732,577	580,289	283,310	15,170	23,787	8,420,588
1952a	3,342,198	2,343,704	1,255,991	755,090	600,580	298,381	15,077	25,688	8,636,909
1953a	3,387,009	2,395,895	1,287,347	776,414	620,988	306,345	15,520	28,383	8,817,901

(a) Revised in accordance with the preliminary results of the Census of 30th June, 1954.

INCREASE OF POPULATION.

State or Territory.	1950.	1951.	1952.	1953.	Year ended 30th September.	
					1953.	1954.
NATURAL INCREASE (EXCESS OF BIRTHS OVER DEATHS).						
New South Wales	40,627	40,137	42,158	43,183	43,741	40,625
Victoria	27,489	27,107	30,416	30,911	31,588	31,093
Queensland	18,629	18,547	19,782	19,776	19,759	19,677
South Australia	10,566	10,279	10,834	11,194	11,144	10,861
Western Australia	9,170	9,506	10,204	10,790	10,568	10,477
Tasmania	4,776	4,790	5,337	5,185	5,196	5,064
Northern Territory	315	290	350	344	352	406
Australian Capital Territory ..	832	854	963	664	724	712
Australia	112,404	111,510	120,053	122,047	123,072	118,915
NET MIGRATION (EXCESS OF ARRIVALS OVER DEPARTURES).						
	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)		
New South Wales	58,399	41,010	18,043	4,578	2,255	10,418
Victoria	39,255	33,498	35,053	16,346	11,799	28,844
Queensland	14,581	12,418	11,310	5,480	8,524	3,863
South Australia	13,571	7,547	10,865	2,791	5,745	6,974
Western Australia	19,686	8,425	12,677	8,258	9,324	8,793
Tasmania	5,376	7,827	3,604	2,888	3,665	983
Northern Territory	967	105	—	718	412	317
Australian Capital Territory ..	670	603	2,482	1,838	1,792	1,298
Australia	152,505	111,433	94,032	42,897	43,516	59,524
TOTAL INCREASE.(b)						
New South Wales	91,469	73,718	53,044	40,762	38,988	45,764
Victoria	68,335	62,366	67,138	49,263	45,382	61,342
Queensland	35,118	32,878	33,000	27,181	30,205	24,990
South Australia	27,233	20,950	24,796	17,104	20,006	20,174
Western Australia	28,460	17,681	22,588	18,797	19,643	19,073
Tasmania	8,994	11,459	7,778	6,912	7,700	3,211
Northern Territory	1,080	192	153	861	562	568
Australian Capital Territory ..	1,281	1,233	3,221	2,281	2,293	1,844
Australia	261,970	220,477	211,718	163,161	164,779	176,966

(a) Revised after preliminary results of 1954 Census. (b) Includes natural increase and net migration together with adjustments for differences disclosed by preliminary results of the Census of 30th June, 1954.

NOTE.—Minus sign (—) denotes excess of departures over arrivals.

POPULATION AND VITAL STATISTICS—SUMMARY, AUSTRALIA.

Period.	Marriages.	Births.	Deaths.	Natural Increase. (a)	Net Migration. (b)	Total Increase. (c)	Population at end of Period.
Year—							
1938	62,411	120,415	66,451	53,964	9,137	64,417	6,935,909
1942	86,060	136,708	75,191	61,517	6,166	57,498	7,201,096
1943	87,673	149,295	74,486	74,809	1,271	68,562	7,269,658
1944	88,201	153,344	69,596	83,748	— 2,183	77,366	7,347,024
1945	82,822	160,560	70,231	90,329	— 2,629	83,173	7,430,197
1946	79,496	176,379	74,661	101,718	— 15,148	87,784	7,517,981
1947	76,457	182,384	73,463	108,916	10,611	119,995	7,637,976
1948	74,902	177,976	76,839	101,137	55,115	154,538	7,792,514
1949	72,999	181,261	75,260	106,001	150,001	253,168	7,845,682
1950	75,599	190,591	78,137	112,404	152,505	261,970	7,937,652
1951	77,298	193,298	81,788	111,510	111,433	220,477	8,028,129
1952	74,172	201,650	81,507	120,053	94,032	211,718	8,139,847
1953	70,640	202,235	80,188	122,047	42,897	163,161	8,293,008
Quarter ended—							
30th September, 1953 ..	15,210	50,517	23,289	27,228	10,335	37,158	8,352,818
31st December, 1953 ..	19,631	50,760	20,225	30,535	20,200	50,190	8,403,008
31st March, 1954 ..	17,868	49,709	17,367	32,342	12,175	44,031	8,447,039
30th June, 1954 ..	18,600	50,613	20,677	29,935	10,340	39,834	8,486,873
30th September, 1954 ..	15,097	50,772	24,670	26,102	16,809	42,911	8,529,784

(a) Excess of births over deaths. For the period January, 1942, to June, 1947, excess of births over civilian deaths only. (b) Excess of arrivals over departures. Minus sign (—) denotes excess of departures over arrivals. Excludes troop movements for the period January, 1942, to June, 1947.

(c) Includes natural increase and net migration together with adjustments for deaths of defence personnel and differences disclosed by the Censuses of 30th June, 1947 and 1954. (d) Adjusted in accordance with the preliminary results of the 1954 Census.

MARRIAGES, BIRTHS AND DEATHS.

State or Territory.	Marriages.	Births.			Deaths.		
		Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.
QUARTER ENDED 30TH SEPTEMBER, 1954.							
New South Wales	5,989	9,337	8,989	18,326	5,547	4,450	9,997
Victoria.. ..	3,842	6,937	6,644	13,581	3,492	3,116	6,608
Queensland ..	2,308	3,955	3,873	7,828	1,925	1,459	3,384
South Australia ..	1,241	2,424	2,262	4,686	1,228	998	2,226
Western Australia	1,087	2,067	1,925	3,992	947	622	1,569
Tasmania ..	558	1,037	1,008	2,045	447	374	821
Northern Territory	37	52	61	113	39	4	43
Australian Capital Territory ..	35	103	98	201	14	8	22
Australia ..	15,097	25,912	24,860	50,772	13,639	11,031	24,670

NINE MONTHS ENDED 30TH SEPTEMBER, 1954.

New South Wales	20,060	28,237	26,819	55,056	14,028	10,991	25,019
Victoria.. ..	13,655	20,788	19,690	40,478	9,234	8,028	17,262
Queensland ..	7,342	11,991	11,654	23,645	5,046	3,657	8,703
South Australia ..	4,559	6,892	6,506	13,398	2,972	2,484	5,456
Western Australia	3,845	6,030	5,704	11,734	2,399	1,622	4,021
Tasmania ..	1,834	2,899	2,864	5,763	1,168	923	2,091
Northern Territory	99	202	186	388	64	13	77
Australian Capital Territory ..	171	328	304	632	48	37	85
Australia ..	51,565	77,367	73,727	151,094	34,959	27,755	62,714

State or Territory.	1938.	1951.	1952.	1953.	Nine months ended 30th September.	
					1953.	1954.

MARRIAGES—NUMBER.

New South Wales ..	24,579	30,341	29,351	27,573	20,049	20,060
Victoria	17,113	21,117	20,220	19,238	13,483	13,655
Queensland ..	8,853	10,814	10,056	9,859	7,160	7,342
South Australia ..	5,489	6,646	6,241	6,149	4,556	4,559
Western Australia ..	4,153	5,390	5,389	5,032	3,714	3,845
Tasmania ..	2,082	2,607	2,553	2,424	1,773	1,834
Northern Territory ..	67	143	137	154	104	99
Australian Capital Territory ..	75	240	225	211	170	171
Australia ..	62,411	77,298	74,172	70,640	51,009	51,565

DIVORCES (INCLUDING NULLITIES OF MARRIAGE).—Australia—1938, 3,100; 1950, 7,414; 1951, 7,320; 1952, 7,095; 1953, New South Wales, 3,746; Victoria, 2,127; Queensland, 730; South Australia, 636; Western Australia, 539; Tasmania, 210; Northern Territory, 12; Australian Capital Territory, 31; Australia, 8,031.

Marriages, Births and Deaths—*continued.*

State or Territory.	1938.	1951.	1952.	1953.	Nine months ended 30th September.	
					1953.	1954.

MARRIAGE RATES—PER 1,000 OF MEAN POPULATION.(a)

					(b)	(b)
New South Wales ..	9.03	9.25	8.78	8.14	7.90	7.82
Victoria ..	9.17	9.28	8.63	8.03	7.52	7.45
Queensland..	8.84	8.84	8.01	7.66	7.43	7.47
South Australia ..	9.25	9.07	8.27	7.92	7.85	7.66
Western Australia ..	8.95	9.29	8.97	8.10	8.00	8.04
Tasmania ..	8.81	9.04	8.56	7.91	7.72	7.85
Northern Territory ..	11.54	9.43	9.09	9.92	9.00	8.19
Australian Capital Territory..	6.50	10.09	8.69	7.43	8.07	7.57
Australia ..	9.18	9.18	8.59	8.01	7.73	7.67

BIRTHS—NUMBER.

New South Wales ..	47,319	72,069	74,196	74,890	56,380	55,056
Victoria ..	30,344	50,553	53,738	53,561	39,924	40,478
Queensland..	18,992	29,652	30,953	30,782	23,259	23,645
South Australia ..	9,410	17,463	17,884	18,156	13,372	13,398
Western Australia ..	9,141	14,794	15,413	15,862	11,847	11,734
Tasmania ..	4,907	7,357	7,916	7,736	5,763	5,763
Northern Territory ..	102	407	448	460	339	388
Australian Capital Territory..	200	1,003	1,102	788	591	632
Australia ..	120,415	193,298	201,650	202,235	151,475	151,094

BIRTH RATES—PER 1,000 OF MEAN POPULATION.(a)

					(b)	(b)
New South Wales ..	17.38	21.97	22.20	22.11	22.23	21.45
Victoria ..	16.27	22.21	22.93	22.36	22.28	22.08
Queensland..	18.95	24.23	24.64	23.91	24.15	24.06
South Australia ..	15.86	23.84	23.68	23.38	23.03	22.51
Western Australia ..	19.71	25.49	25.66	25.54	25.53	24.53
Tasmania ..	20.76	25.52	26.53	25.25	25.11	24.68
Northern Territory ..	17.57	26.83	29.71	29.64	29.33	32.08
Australian Capital Territory..	(c) 17.34	(c) 42.17	(c) 42.57	27.76	28.05	27.96
Australia ..	17.45	22.96	23.35	22.93	22.96	22.47

DEATHS—NUMBER.

New South Wales ..	26,105	31,932	32,038	31,707	23,785	25,019
Victoria ..	18,955	23,446	23,322	22,650	16,890	17,262
Queensland..	9,201	11,105	11,171	11,006	8,218	8,703
South Australia ..	5,539	7,184	7,050	6,962	5,097	5,456
Western Australia ..	4,234	5,288	5,209	5,072	3,821	4,021
Tasmania ..	2,288	2,567	2,579	2,551	1,970	2,091
Northern Territory ..	69	117	89	116	90	77
Australian Capital Territory..	60	149	139	124	92	85
Australia ..	66,451	81,788	81,597	80,188	59,963	62,714

(a) Adjusted in accordance with the preliminary results of 1954 Census. (b) Equivalent annual rates. (c) As in the States and the Northern Territory, the rates shown are based on birth registrations. Prior to the provision late in 1952 of maternity accommodation in Queanbeyan, births registered in Canberra for the years 1938, 1951 and 1952 included many to mothers from Queanbeyan and surrounding areas. Rates based on the number of births to mothers resident in the Australian Capital Territory for these years are as follows:—1938, 15.43; 1951, 29.55; 1952, 31.91.

Marriages, Births and Deaths—continued.

State or Territory.	1938.	1951.	1952.	1953.	Nine months ended 30th September.	
					1953.	1954.
DEATH RATES—PER 1,000 OF MEAN POPULATION.(a)						
New South Wales	9.50	9.73	9.59	9.36	(b) 9.38	(b) 9.75
Victoria	10.16	10.30	9.95	9.45	9.43	9.42
Queensland	9.18	9.07	8.89	8.55	8.53	8.85
South Australia	9.34	9.81	9.34	8.97	8.78	9.16
Western Australia	9.13	9.11	8.67	8.17	8.23	8.40
Tasmania	9.68	8.90	8.64	8.33	8.58	8.95
Northern Territory	11.89	7.71	5.90	7.47	7.79	6.37
Australian Capital Territory ..	5.20	6.26	5.37	4.37	4.37	3.76
Australia	9.63	9.71	9.45	9.09	9.09	9.33

DEATHS UNDER ONE YEAR OF AGE.						
New South Wales	1,980	1,895	1,818	1,845	1,361	1,411
Victoria	1,038	1,143	1,198	1,133	864	808
Queensland	784	761	772	769	602	537
South Australia	287	428	413	375	267	292
Western Australia	309	425	384	378	295	260
Tasmania	195	196	172	177	143	143
Northern Territory	6	18	14	18	14	5
Australian Capital Territory..	8	12	26	17	11	2
Australia	4,607	4,878	4,797	4,712	3,557	3,458

INFANT MORTALITY—RATE PER 1,000 LIVE BIRTHS.						
New South Wales	41.84	26.29	24.50	24.64	24.14	25.63
Victoria	34.21	22.61	22.29	21.15	21.64	19.96
Queensland	41.28	25.66	24.94	24.98	25.88	22.71
South Australia	30.50	24.51	23.09	20.65	19.97	21.79
Western Australia	33.80	28.73	24.91	23.83	24.90	22.16
Tasmania	39.74	26.64	21.73	22.88	24.81	24.81
Northern Territory	58.82	44.23	31.25	39.13	41.30	12.89
Australian Capital Territory..	40.00	11.96	23.59	21.57	18.61	3.16
Australia	38.26	25.24	23.79	23.30	23.48	22.89

(a) Adjusted in accordance with the preliminary results of the 1954 Census. annual rates.

(b) Equivalent

MIGRATION—AUSTRALIA.

Figures to 30th June, 1933, have been adjusted in accordance with the results of the 1933 Census. Figures from 1st July, 1933, are as recorded.

Period.	Total Arrivals.			Total Departures.			Excess of Arrivals over Departures.
	Males.	Females.	Persons.	Males.	Females.	Persons.	
1921-25..	289,695	188,357	478,052	172,236	122,550	294,786	183,266
1926-30..	266,593	203,887	470,480	193,336	147,437	340,773	129,707
1931-35..	124,207	115,116	239,323	134,883	115,326	250,209	-10,886
1936-40(a)	161,774	159,538	321,312	140,901	137,283	278,184	43,128
1941-45(a)	35,422	28,593	63,925	30,097	26,019	56,116	7,809
1946-50(a)	398,507	303,413	701,920	180,779	168,057	348,836	353,084
1938 ..	39,910	38,018	77,928	34,206	34,585	68,791	9,137
1949 ..	132,648	100,487	233,135	42,705	40,429	83,134	150,001
1950 ..	141,891	108,513	250,404	49,907	47,992	97,899	152,505
1951 ..	122,136	91,504	213,640	54,521	47,686	102,207	111,433
1952 ..	127,516	88,323	215,839	63,937	52,870	121,807	94,032
1953 ..	88,584	74,541	163,125	68,483	51,745	120,228	42,897
Nine Months ended 30th Sept.—							
1953 ..	63,841	51,407	115,248	52,626	39,925	92,551	22,697
1954 ..	76,285	61,236	137,521	54,544	43,653	98,197	39,324

(a) Excludes troop movements September, 1939, to June, 1947.

NOTE.—Minus sign (—) denotes excess of departures over arrivals.

MIGRATION—AUSTRALIA—continued.

Permanent New Arrivals and Australian Residents Departing Permanently
Classified according to Nationality.

Nationality.	Permanent New Arrivals.(a)			Australian Residents Departing Permanently.(a)		
	Quarter ended Sept- ember, 1954.	Nine Months ended September—		Quarter ended Sept- ember, 1954.	Nine Months ended September—	
		1953.	1954.		1953.	1954.
British(b)	10,747	25,319	32,323	6,983	20,933	22,924
Foreign—						
American (U.S.)	355	829	1,021	178	423	532
Austrian	266	245	792	10	39	34
Belgian	10	49	38	10	11	17
Chinese	42	387	283	34	80	126
Czechoslovak	9	53	48	18	38	55
Danish	23	64	72	10	43	30
Dutch	1,691	6,700	7,032	178	540	704
Estonian	1	22	1	7	13	44
French	87	181	228	62	185	191
German	2,823	5,103	8,852	111	281	374
Greek	2,098	1,777	5,647	39	122	133
Hungarian	24	45	44	10	31	52
Israeli	70	154	321	3	4	10
Italian	3,869	9,935	12,694	265	1,364	1,131
Japanese	24	238	130	4	2	11
Latvian	7	41	32	8	25	49
Lebanese	89	51	250	20	32	33
Lithuanian	5	12	10	17	24	62
Norwegian	8	44	21	18	64	96
Polish(c)	14	204	65	35	78	107
Russian(d)	74	350	216	9	53	72
Swedish	9	44	28	6	25	23
Swiss	44	126	107	19	74	71
Ukrainian	1	43	9	3	7	37
Yugoslav	137	386	499	24	49	78
Stateless	167	693	1,641	50	92	180
Other	118	399	379	54	109	145
Total	22,812	53,494	72,783	8,185	24,741	27,321

(a) "Permanent" means residence for one year or longer (in Australia in the case of arrivals; abroad in the case of departures) except in the case of Australian troops, who are classified as "temporary" irrespective of their length of stay.

(b) "Irish" nationality has been combined with "British" for the purpose of this table. (c) Includes "Stateless" who were formerly Polish. (d) Includes "Stateless" who were formerly Russian.

Permanent New Arrivals and Australian Residents Departing Permanently
Classified according to Racial Origin.

Racial Origin.	Permanent New Arrivals.(a)			Australian Residents Departing Permanently.(a)		
	Quarter ended Sept- ember, 1954.	Nine Months ended September—		Quarter ended Sept- ember, 1954.	Nine Months ended September—	
		1953.	1954.		1953.	1954.
European	22,574	51,675	71,285	8,050	24,370	26,844
Asian	224	1,767	1,393	132	356	460
African	5	13	36	1	2	7
Polynesian	9	39	69	2	13	10
Total	22,812	53,494	72,783	8,185	24,741	27,321

(a) See note (a) above.

MIGRATION—AUSTRALIA—continued.

Permanent Arrivals and Departures classified according to the Country of Last Permanent Residence or Country of Future Permanent Residence.

Country of Last Permanent Residence of Arrivals and Country of Future Permanent Residence of Departures.(a)	Permanent New Arrivals.			Australian Residents Departing Permanently.		
	Quarter ended September, 1954.	Nine Months ended September—		Quarter ended September, 1954.	Nine Months ended September—	
		1953.	1954.		1953.	1954.
British—						
United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland ..	7,630	19,037	21,880	4,035	11,013	12,768
Canada	88	282	432	258	648	1,017
Cyprus	145	90	375	15	72	70
India, Ceylon and Pakistan ..	148	663	539	66	332	337
Malta	1,003	788	3,432	42	288	127
New Guinea	148	369	514	471	1,349	1,627
New Zealand	621	1,308	2,010	774	3,600	2,792
Papua	95	200	283	272	644	872
Union of South Africa ..	86	212	220	92	157	195
Other	442	1,822	1,793	437	1,262	1,365
Total, British Countries	10,406	24,771	31,478	6,462	19,365	21,170
Foreign—						
Austria	357	331	971	10	32	26
France	95	199	235	105	265	331
Germany	2,840	5,336	8,925	100	224	348
Greece	2,045	1,545	5,436	48	122	167
Italy	3,955	10,530	12,364	437	2,134	2,014
Netherlands	1,592	6,590	6,838	145	446	565
Poland	1	38	11	1	2	1
Yugoslavia	109	311	394	18	28	47
Other European(b) ..	205	569	2,333	80	295	347
China	112	415	296	14	10	66
Indonesia	95	197	243	45	115	128
Egypt	176	537	687	13	56	50
United States of America ..	427	1,119	1,291	475	1,092	1,443
Polynesian Islands ..	36	90	120	93	171	219
Other	361	916	1,161	139	384	399
Total, Foreign Countries	12,406	28,723	41,305	1,723	5,376	6,151
GRAND TOTAL ..	22,812	53,494	72,783	8,185	24,741	27,321

(a) "Permanent" residence means residence of one year or longer except in the case of Australian troops, who are included under "Australia" (see following table) as regards both country of future permanent residence and country of last permanent residence. (b) Includes unspecified European countries.

MIGRATION—AUSTRALIA—continued.

Temporary Arrivals and Departures classified according to the Country of Last Permanent Residence or Country of Future Permanent Residence.

Country of Last Permanent Residence of Arrivals and Country of Future Permanent Residence of Departures.(a)	Australian Residents Returning and Temporary Visitors Arriving.			Australian Residents Departing Temporarily and Temporary Visitors Departing.		
	Quarter ended September, 1954.	Nine Months ended September—		Quarter ended September, 1954.	Nine months ended September—	
		1953.	1954.		1953.	1954.
Australia	10,193	29,231	29,847	7,813	31,848	35,364
Other British—						
United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland . .	1,391	6,195	5,396	1,615	5,845	6,411
Canada	61	318	307	83	423	419
India, Ceylon and Pakistan . .	351	984	989	194	790	817
New Guinea	567	1,817	1,917	455	1,679	1,743
New Zealand	4,212	12,040	13,677	4,556	15,218	14,158
Papua	495	1,520	1,658	289	1,179	1,456
Union of South Africa . .	101	414	351	139	380	363
Other	901	3,431	3,701	896	3,584	3,466
Total, Other British Countries	8,079	26,719	27,996	8,227	29,098	28,833
Foreign—						
France	110	195	269	111	313	319
Germany	54	122	168	56	129	156
Greece	14	23	46	10	33	31
Italy	35	150	115	47	342	186
Netherlands	73	220	244	99	289	358
Yugoslavia	7	12	22	..	11	7
Other European	143	550	445	137	412	449
China	18	90	46	24	34	63
Indonesia	164	272	386	132	320	370
Egypt	14	57	42	12	48	43
United States of America . .	607	2,086	2,508	848	2,544	2,815
Polynesian Islands	230	717	942	208	810	864
Other	474	1,310	1,662	309	1,579	1,018
Total, Foreign Countries	1,943	5,804	6,895	1,993	6,864	6,679
GRAND TOTAL	20,215	61,754	64,738	18,033	67,810	70,876

(a) "Permanent" residence means residence of one year or longer except in the case of Australian troops, who are included under "Australia" as regards both country of future permanent residence and country of last permanent residence.

Section II.—Production.

PRINCIPAL CROPS—AUSTRALIA.

WHEAT FOR GRAIN: AREA, PRODUCTION, AND AVERAGE YIELD.

Season.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	A.C.T.	Australia.
AREA.								
('000 Acres.)								
1938-39..	4,651	2,748	442	3,080	3,413	10	2	14,346
1949-50..	4,012	2,828	600	1,896	2,894	6	4	12,240
1950-51..	3,329	2,735	559	1,848	3,185	5	2	11,663
1951-52..	2,753	2,464	454	1,613	3,095	4	1	10,384
1952-53..	2,702	2,232	724	1,544	2,999	7	1	10,209
1953-54..	3,357	2,389	580	1,528	2,885	10	2	10,751

PRODUCTION.

('000 Bushels.)								
1938-39..	59,898	18,104	8,584	31,675	36,844	205	59	155,369
1949-50..	81,939	57,434	11,778	28,351	38,500	127	92	218,221
1950-51..	43,273	51,236	8,785	30,936	49,900	95	19	184,244
1951-52..	39,689	45,995	6,632	27,301	40,000	94	14	159,725
1952-53..	56,670	50,335	18,662	33,919	35,458	156	8	195,208
1953-54..	63,681	53,698	10,180	30,409	39,700	263	29	197,960

AVERAGE YIELD PER ACRE.

(Bushels.)								
1938-39..	12.9	6.6	19.4	10.3	10.8	20.8	28.7	10.8
1949-50..	20.4	20.3	19.6	14.9	13.3	23.3	20.6	17.8
1950-51..	13.0	18.7	15.7	16.7	15.7	17.8	10.1	15.8
1951-52..	14.4	18.7	14.6	16.9	12.9	26.1	14.0	15.4
1952-53..	21.0	22.6	25.8	22.0	11.8	23.4	12.7	19.1
1953-54..	19.0	22.5	17.6	19.9	13.8	27.2	18.5	18.4

TOTAL AREA OF WHEAT GROWN FOR ALL PURPOSES.

('000 Acres.)								
Season.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	A.C.T.	Australia.
1938-39 ..	5,223	3,033	499	3,344	3,613	14	2	15,728
1949-50 ..	4,174	2,867	669	2,006	2,984	9	5	12,714
1950-51 ..	3,442	2,771	616	1,950	3,255	9	2	12,045
1951-52 ..	2,930	2,499	551	1,688	3,163	7	1	10,839
1952-53 ..	2,836	2,265	779	1,601	3,076	13	1	10,571
1953-54 ..	3,548	2,429	658	1,604	2,938	15	2	11,194

OTHER PRINCIPAL CROPS.

Season.	Grain.			Potatoes.	Hay.	Sugar-cane.		Total Area of Crops.
	Oats.	Barley.	Maize.			Cut for crushing.	Cane Sugar (94 N.T.)	

AREA.

('000 Acres.)								
1938-39 ..	1,784	745	324	98	3,250	262	..	23,499
1949-50 ..	1,748	1,040	194	134	1,605	281	..	20,601
1950-51 ..	1,757	1,079	169	127	1,377	272	..	19,917
1951-52 ..	2,365	1,118	170	118	1,549	282	..	19,802
1952-53 ..	2,764	1,377	174	135	1,761	280	..	20,371
1953-54(a) ..	2,137	1,803	179	128	1,935	340	..	21,138

PRODUCTION.

	'000 Bush.	'000 Bush.	'000 Bush.	'000 Tons.	'000 Tons.	'000 Tons.	'000 Tons.	
1938-39 ..	15,555	10,831	7,057	274	3,321	5,679	820	..
1949-50 ..	27,391	19,543	5,996	471	2,430	6,849	937	..
1950-51 ..	25,128	22,871	4,729	412	2,063	7,052	921	..
1951-52 ..	34,506	21,909	4,018	509	2,345	5,327	745	..
1952-53 ..	43,623	35,045	4,967	431	2,765	6,967	949	..
1953-54 (a) ..	32,961	41,272	5,079	475	3,049	9,014	1,254	..

(a) Subject to revision.

NUMBER OF PRINCIPAL LIVESTOCK.
('000.)

March.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tasmania.	N. Terr. (a)	A.C.T.	Australia.
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HORSES.

1939	..	531	344	(a) 445	(a) 196	(a) 144	(a) 30	33	1	1,724
1950	..	343	200	317	83	59	21	33	1	1,057
1951	..	329	187	307	71	55	20	29	1	999
1952	..	311	169	289	63	53	19	32	1	937
1953	..	298	154	282	57	50	18	35	1	895
1954	..	280	114	273	52	49	17	37	1	823

CATTLE—BEEF.

1950	..	2,167	706	4,872	193	698	117	1,049	8	9,750
1951	..	2,457	727	5,294	188	618	115	1,019	8	10,426
1952	..	2,416	776	5,137	201	621	111	1,058	7	10,327
1953	..	2,405	820	5,378	231	612	113	936	6	10,501
1954	..	2,316	809	5,703	230	600	121	966	6	10,751

CATTLE—DAIRY.

1950	..	1,273	1,525	1,433	271	227	158	..	3	4,890
1951	..	1,246	1,489	1,440	245	223	157	..	3	4,803
1952	..	1,205	1,439	1,297	236	231	155	..	3	4,566
1953	..	1,244	1,477	1,373	252	234	162	..	4	4,746
1954	..	1,238	1,537	1,383	261	230	174	..	3	4,826

CATTLE—TOTAL.

1939	..	2,812	1,697	(a) 6,097	(a) 319	(a) 768	(a) 262	900	7	12,862
1950	..	3,440	2,231	6,305	464	865	275	1,049	11	14,640
1951	..	3,703	2,216	6,734	433	841	272	1,019	11	15,229
1952	..	3,621	2,215	6,434	437	852	266	1,058	10	14,893
1953	..	3,649	2,297	6,751	483	846	275	936	10	15,247
1954	..	3,554	2,346	7,086	491	830	295	966	9	15,577

SHEEP.

1939	..	48,877	17,007	a 23,159	a 9,937	a 9,177	a 2,626	30	245	111,058
1950	..	53,298	19,161	17,582	9,477	10,923	2,170	26	254	112,891
1951	..	54,111	20,012	17,478	10,166	11,362	2,181	29	257	115,596
1952	..	53,676	21,537	16,164	11,470	12,188	2,338	31	243	117,647
1953	..	57,461	21,368	17,030	12,036	12,475	2,421	34	247	123,072
1954	..	59,639	21,384	18,194	11,838	13,087	2,465	31	252	126,890

PIGS.

1939	..	377	253	(a) 325	(a) 71	(a) 83	(a) 45	1	1	1,156
1950	..	333	213	391	69	79	36	1	1	1,123
1951	..	317	237	375	68	90	45	1	1	1,134
1952	..	293	214	316	65	86	47	1	..	1,022
1953	..	299	183	336	59	76	39	1	..	983
1954	..	372	228	384	61	101	46	1	..	1,193

(a) December, previous year.

PRODUCTION OF WOOL (AS IN THE GREASE).
('000 lb.)

Season.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tasmania.	Nor. Terr. (a)	A.C.T.	Australia.
1938-39 ..	437,141	165,829	b 179,459	102,888	78,802	17,519	35	1,909	933,582
1948-49 ..	463,208	204,080	156,655	114,905	99,429	16,846	305	1,977	1,057,405
1949-50 ..	515,043	225,243	162,256	121,248	98,889	16,958	230	2,123	1,141,990
1950-51 ..	492,130	218,266	154,667	125,384	107,341	17,250	235	2,266	1,117,539
1951-52 ..	437,837	224,958	138,767	135,484	120,401	20,513	252	1,765	1,079,977
1952-53 ..	556,552	252,195	163,149	158,658	128,148	19,807	332	2,245	1,281,086
1953-54 ..	544,934	223,481	174,414	145,509	134,442	20,116	290	2,276	1,245,462

(a) Estimated.

(b) For year ended 31st December, 1938.

PRODUCTION OF MILK AND MILK PRODUCTS.

Period.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Australian Capital Territory.	Australia. (a)
WHOLE MILK FOR ALL PURPOSES. (⁰⁰⁰ gal.)								
1938-39 ..	311,384	377,881	347,336	72,521	45,562	34,140	350	1,189,174
1949-50 ..	311,580	409,253	281,125	89,388	49,476	40,243	604	1,241,750
1950-51 ..	298,159	445,671	278,111	83,545	52,407	41,136	687	1,199,716
1951-52 ..	241,209	446,818	181,148	86,482	48,937	46,100	593	1,051,287
1952-53 ..	317,385	436,417	285,533	84,249	49,830	44,269	688	1,218,371
1953-54(b) ..	277,747	472,296	251,029	85,584	50,582	52,415	781	1,190,434
Three months ended—								
September 1953(b)	57,478	92,203	48,007	22,217	14,846	7,136	177	242,064
September 1954(b)	55,199	112,108	47,862	26,978	17,544	9,298	162	269,151

BUTTER (Factory and Farm).

(Tons.)

1938-39 ..	53,045	58,291	70,369	9,249	7,254	5,284	8	203,500
1949-50 ..	38,842	64,671	48,785	8,762	7,008	5,525	6	173,599
1950-51 ..	36,130	59,046	47,911	7,769	7,000	6,073	5	163,934
1951-52 ..	25,242	60,342	28,211	8,131	6,880	6,507	6	135,319
1952-53 ..	38,875	58,178	49,425	7,982	6,643	6,372	5	167,480
1953-54(b) ..	31,491	64,506	42,194	7,930	6,422	7,579	5	160,127
Three months ended—								
September 1953(b)	5,617	11,545	7,378	2,152	2,071	871	..	29,634
September 1954(b)	5,473	15,813	7,312	2,667	2,555	1,286	..	35,106

CHEESE (Factory and Farm).

(Tons.)

1938-39 ..	3,343	8,729	7,039	8,239	436	1,518	..	29,304
1949-50 ..	2,827	21,202	9,052	10,587	707	421	..	44,796
1950-51 ..	2,960	22,578	8,678	8,932	751	411	..	44,310
1951-52 ..	1,995	22,255	4,700	10,615	625	408	..	40,598
1952-53 ..	3,163	22,886	9,439	10,454	898	266	..	46,606
1953-54(b) ..	3,209	26,092	6,749	11,627	1,260	293	..	49,230
Three months ended—								
September 1953(b)	641	5,045	1,710	2,950	360	7	..	10,713
September 1954(b)	371	4,609	1,749	4,351	482	26	..	11,588

CONDENSED, POWDERED, ETC., MILK PRODUCTS: AUSTRALIA.

Period.	Full Cream Milk Products.				Total Whole Milk Equivalent of Full Cream Milk Products.	Milk By-Products.	
	Condensed Milk (Sweetened and Unsweetened).	Concentrated Whole Milk.(c)	Powdered Full Cream Milk.	Infants' and Invalids' Foods.(d)		Powdered Skim Milk.	Powdered Butter-milk and Whey.
1938-39 ..	Tons. 15,519	Tons. (e) 1,659	Tons. 10,712	Tons. (f) 1,259	⁰⁰⁰ gals. 33,367	Tons. (g)	Tons. (h) 556
1949-50 ..	49,767	17,270	22,539	10,531	89,565	9,393	2,989
1950-51 ..	50,507	18,351	17,594	12,100	84,828	6,583	3,192
1951-52 ..	52,467	16,743	15,121	12,066	76,324	10,887	2,938
1952-53 ..	55,385	14,493	22,393	10,042	83,411	16,103	4,073
1953-54(b) ..	42,029	17,638	18,638	11,597	73,230	18,911	4,937
Three months ended—							
September 1953(b)	8 223	3 592	4 403	3 157	15,962	3,230	867
September, 1954(b)	7,814	2,142	3,973	2,575	14,346	3,665	1,332

(a) Excludes Northern Territory. (b) Subject to revision. (c) Principally for use in ice-cream manufacture. (d) Includes malted milk and milk sugar and a small quantity of non fat malted milk. (e) Incomplete. (f) Malted milk and milk sugar only. (g) Included with Powdered Full Cream Milk. (h) Excludes whey.

PRODUCTION OF MEAT (BONE-IN WEIGHT).

(Tons.)

Period.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	N. Terr.	A.C.T.	Australia.
BEEF (including Veal).									
1938-39 ..	172,001	113,985	207,007	24,731	27,733	10,946	2,235	572	559,210
1949-50 ..	185,588	124,609	211,496	32,615	35,357	12,271	3,274	1,812	606,522
1950-51 ..	192,760	136,604	232,398	36,372	33,969	14,103	3,591	1,716	651,513
1951-52 ..	184,271	137,241	177,608	31,091	32,196	14,390	3,285	1,806	581,888
1952-53 ..	217,320	123,643	252,495	31,100	31,810	13,842	3,175	1,464	674,849
1953-54 ..	220,915	140,019	257,783	34,122	35,494	11,003	3,277	1,656	704,269
Three months ended—									
September, 1953	54,722	32,134	86,169	9,171	11,296	2,698	897	414	197,301
September, 1954(a)	54,921	34,584	85,466	8,121	12,502	2,993	831	414	199,832
MUTTON.									
1938-39 ..	72,131	77,445	18,950	18,495	14,362	4,004	5	356	205,748
1949-50 ..	64,018	81,270	16,024	23,388	15,553	4,819	57	710	205,839
1950-51 ..	52,464	56,045	12,467	21,022	14,374	4,813	27	621	161,833
1951-52 ..	56,329	64,756	13,082	20,163	16,086	4,732	34	648	175,830
1952-53 ..	72,455	94,130	18,572	33,660	23,620	5,654	82	834	249,067
1953-54 ..	75,771	87,302	18,075	30,714	18,908	6,004	72	720	237,566
Three months ended—									
September, 1953	15,989	14,879	4,766	6,335	4,350	1,632	18	120	48,149
September, 1954(a)	17,847	16,927	3,411	6,415	4,871	1,668	19	120	51,278
LAMB.									
1938-39 ..	28,535	58,685	1,506	15,557	7,852	2,325	..	84	114,544
1949-50 ..	55,977	66,984	1,649	16,525	6,893	4,107	..	339	152,294
1950-51 ..	39,999	47,007	1,100	12,980	7,176	3,848	..	300	112,420
1951-52 ..	37,747	44,227	1,338	11,059	7,600	4,243	..	312	106,526
1952-53 ..	53,276	58,900	1,799	17,824	8,886	5,002	..	366	146,083
1953-54 ..	48,759	48,320	1,617	14,757	8,358	5,069	..	366	127,246
Three months ended—									
September, 1953	9,736	7,903	447	3,533	2,311	965	..	93	24,988
September, 1954(a)	11,811	13,379	297	6,921	1,968	1,036	..	90	35,502
PORK.									
1938-39 ..	9,617	10,769	11,844	2,037	1,092	1,623	8	43	37,033
1949-50 ..	10,260	6,645	12,911	2,009	1,793	1,208	42	90	34,958
1950-51 ..	9,307	7,596	11,751	2,774	2,116	1,499	64	150	35,257
1951-52 ..	10,382	8,716	8,604	2,551	2,550	1,981	70	170	35,024
1952-53 ..	9,611	6,925	6,548	2,836	2,436	1,920	60	132	30,468
1953-54(a) ..	13,602	7,584	7,132	2,325	2,028	1,576	69	132	34,448
Three months ended—									
September, 1953(a)	3,168	1,619	1,908	582	434	356	15	33	11,323
September, 1954(a)	4,115	1,947	2,110	735	957	353	16	36	10,269
BACON AND HAM (Cured weight).									
1938-39 ..	11,794	7,370	8,492	2,673	1,894	1,015	..	..	33,238
1949-50 ..	12,955	9,779	10,018	3,318	3,542	991	..	..	40,603
1950-51 ..	12,629	7,905	8,764	3,042	3,558	946	..	..	36,844
1951-52(b) ..	12,514	8,964	7,669	2,969	3,683	829	..	..	36,628
1952-53(b) ..	13,228	8,165	9,510	3,063	3,693	886	..	..	38,545
1953-54(a)(b) ..	11,555	7,117	10,616	3,002	3,458	974	..	..	36,722
Three months ended—									
September, 1953(a)	2,920	1,660	2,675	726	787	190	..	..	8,958
September, 1954(a)	2,691	2,023	3,022	745	820	219	..	..	9,520
TOTAL IN TERMS OF FRESH MEAT.									
1938-39 ..	299,975	271,939	252,045	64,829	53,880	20,421	2,248	1,055	966,392
1949-50 ..	333,282	292,807	255,705	79,049	64,413	23,753	3,373	2,451	1,054,833
1950-51 ..	311,704	258,002	269,634	77,296	62,473	25,554	3,682	2,787	1,011,132
1951-52 ..	305,748	267,129	211,062	68,902	63,441	26,474	3,389	2,936	949,081
1952-53 ..	370,652	294,702	292,349	89,585	71,776	27,624	3,317	2,826	1,152,831
1953-54(a) ..	374,762	292,903	299,044	86,002	69,490	24,978	3,418	2,874	1,153,471
Three months ended—									
September, 1953(a)	87,586	58,793	96,928	20,608	19,461	5,910	930	660	290,876
September, 1954(a)	92,353	69,589	95,394	23,205	21,413	6,349	866	690	309,829

(a) Subject to revision.

(b) Includes pressed and cooked bacon and ham converted to bone-in weight.

MINING AND QUARRYING—VALUE OF OUTPUT (a).
(£'000.)

Industry and Year.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	N. Terr.	Aust.
1953.								
Metal Mining—								
Gold Mining ..	225	1,033	(b)	(b)	13,365	..	820	(c) 15,728
Silver-Lead Zinc Mining ..	22,817	..	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	..	(c) 31,672
Copper-Gold Mining ..	21	..	(b)	..	(b)	..	18	(c) 4,384
Tin Mining ..	303	..	156	..	68	1,258	15	1,800
Other Metal Mining ..	1,322	(d)	1,027	(b)	1,402	(b)	267	(c) 9,166
Total Metal Mining	24,688	1,033	(c) 10,508	(c) 2,989	(c) 15,148	(c) 7,264	1,120	(c) 62,750
Fuel Mining—								
Black Coal Mining ..	41,030	946	5,861	461	3,073	453	..	51,824
Brown Coal Mining ..	..	3,628	..	..	..	..	..	3,628
Total Fuel Mining..	41,030	4,574	5,861	461	3,073	453	..	55,452
Non-Metal (excl. Fuel) Mining and Construction Material Quarrying	6,028	(e) 3,722	(e) 860	2,753	1,790	320	(e) 102	(e) 15,575
Total All Mining and Quarrying ..	71,746	(e) 9,329	(e) 17,229	6,203	20,011	8,037	1,222	e 133,777
1952	77,097	(e) 8,535	(e) 17,429	6,047	(e) 17,704	8,750	(e) 1,282	e 136,844
1951(f)	67,877	6,949	10,922	4,938	13,474	10,552	(g)	114,712
1950(f)	46,102	5,274	10,829	4,428	12,037	7,049	(g)	85,719
1949(f)	35,295	4,215	7,096	3,118	9,799	4,629	(g)	64,152
1939(f)	12,914	2,789	3,438	3,648	12,496	2,145	(g)	37,430

(a) Selling value at point of sale of mine or quarry product less transport costs from mine or quarry to point of sale (i.e. value of output at mine or quarry) in 1952. For years prior to 1952 totals have been estimated by Government Statisticians in each State using values of individual products recorded by Mines Departments and other relevant data. (b) Not available for publication. (c) Includes particulars for items marked (b). (d) Not available for publication; included with "Non-Metal (excl. Fuel) Mining, &c." (e) Incomplete. (f) Incomplete for some Non-Metal (excl. Fuel) Mining industries and for construction Material Quarrying in some States. (g) Not available.

PRODUCTION OF PRINCIPAL MINERALS.

State or Territory and Year.	Principal Contents of Metallic Minerals.							Coal.	
	Copper.	Gold.	Iron.	Lead.	Tin.	Tungsten.	Zinc.	Black.	Brown.
	ton.	'000 f. oz.	'000 ton.	'000 ton.	ton.	(a) ton.	'000 ton.	'000 ton.	'000 ton.

QUARTER ENDED 30TH JUNE, 1954.(b)

New South Wales	983	9	..	60	81	1	53	3,791	..
Victoria ..	..	13	..	..	11	..	..	29	2,416
Queensland ..	7,685	25	..	10	(c) 189	6	4	721	..
South Australia..	..	(d)	477	(d)	..	..	..	109	..
Western Australia ..	..	211	87	1	17	..	(d)	272	..
Tasmania ..	2,875	5	..	2	221	410	8	62	..
Northern Territory	57	18	..	(d)	4	7	..	..	..
Australia—									
June Qtr. 1954	11,600	281	564	73	523	424	65	4,984	2,416
June Qtr. 1953	9,564	264	529	68	427	270	59	4,215	2,122
Year 1953 ..	36,585	1,075	(c) 2,132	269	1,553	1,406	239	18,412	8,257
1952 ..	18,578	980	(c) 1,883	228	1,610	1,282	196	19,405	8,104
1951 ..	17,926	896	(c) 1,605	212	1,559	1,112	189	17,608	7,836
1950 ..	17,481	870	(c) 1,418	225	1,854	730	198	16,543	7,327

(a) In terms of WO₃ (tungstic trioxide). (b) Subject to revision. (c) Estimated. (d) Less than half the unit of quantity shown.

MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES.

Australia.

Year.	(1) Factories.	(2) Persons Em- ployed. (a)	(3) Salaries and Wages Paid. (b)	(4) Value of Fuel, &c., Used.	(5) Value of Materials Used.	(6) Value of Pro- duction. (c)	(7) Value of Output. (d)	(8) Value of Plant, Machinery, Land and Buildings.
	No.	No.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
1938-39 ..	26,941	565,106	106,743	15,700	281,303	203,417	500,420	274,582
1948-49 ..	40,070	890,117	339,219	46,062	810,547	568,769	1,425,378	479,234
1949-50 ..	41,596	917,499	385,797	54,830	929,094	661,532	1,645,456	545,151
1950-51 ..	43,147	968,918	491,718	71,682	1,235,281	843,872	2,150,835	642,336
1951-52 ..	45,844	977,517	611,789	96,629	1,513,210	1,024,867	2,634,706	772,749
1952-53 ..	47,740	933,261	635,245	109,337	1,527,805	1,082,862	2,720,004	907,980

(a) Average over whole year; includes working proprietors. (b) Excludes amounts drawn by working proprietors. (c) Value of production equals figures in column (7) less total of figures in columns (4) and (5). (d) Value of goods produced including amounts received for work done.

MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES.

States.

Particulars.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Aust.
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1938-39.

1. Factories ..	No.	9,464	9,250	3,087	2,067	2,129	944	26,941
2. Persons employed(a) ..		228,781	201,831	54,110	43,371	23,211	13,802	565,106
3. Salaries, wages paid(b) ..	£'000.	44,606	36,027	10,887	8,169	4,574	2,480	106,743
4. Value of fuel, &c. used ..		7,652	4,000	1,423	1,018	1,169	438	15,700
5. " materials used ..		120,502	82,971	42,596	20,309	9,604	5,321	281,303
6. " production(c) ..		90,266	65,996	19,302	13,678	8,776	5,399	203,417
7. " output ..		218,420	152,967	63,321	35,005	19,549	11,158	500,420
8. " land & buildings ..		57,353	42,026	12,299	8,711	6,814	3,717	130,920
9. " plant & mchnry..		62,693	38,627	18,095	9,750	8,095	6,402	143,662

1951-52.

1. Factories ..	No.	18,144	14,758	4,918	3,245	3,267	1,512	45,844
2. Persons employed(a) ..		405,994	324,143	94,349	83,907	45,097	24,027	977,517
3. Salaries, wages paid(b) ..	£'000.	263,652	202,586	51,906	53,558	25,384	14,703	611,789
4. Value of fuel, &c. used ..		48,664	21,990	8,286	10,409	5,173	2,107	96,629
5. " materials used ..		647,291	477,617	150,427	139,198	58,652	40,025	1,513,210
6. " production(c) ..		443,391	334,360	91,330	83,246	42,746	29,794	1,024,867
7. " output ..		1,139,346	833,967	250,043	232,853	106,571	71,926	2,634,706
8. " land & buildings ..		153,662	119,465	28,610	28,507	16,747	13,210	360,201
9. " plant & mchnry..		166,437	128,934	41,290	32,177	20,716	22,994	412,548

1952-53.

1. Factories ..	No.	19,251	15,154	5,068	3,339	3,424	1,504	47,740
2. Persons employed(a) ..		380,213	310,759	93,123	80,483	45,188	23,495	933,261
3. Salaries, wages paid(b) ..	£'000.	265,910	210,878	57,591	56,546	28,344	15,976	635,245
4. Value of fuel, &c. used ..		53,630	25,626	9,624	11,806	6,175	2,476	109,337
5. " materials used ..		627,954	476,489	187,572	133,818	63,943	38,029	1,527,805
6. " production(c) ..		457,742	358,032	98,209	89,189	49,192	30,498	1,082,862
7. " output ..		1,139,326	860,147	295,405	234,813	119,310	71,003	2,720,004
8. " land & buildings ..		176,576	135,324	34,720	31,904	20,960	14,962	414,446
9. " plant & mchnry..		207,733	147,365	51,670	40,111	24,035	22,620	493,534

(a) Average over whole year; includes working proprietors. (b) Excludes amounts drawn by working proprietors. (c) Value of production equals figures in line 7 less totals of figures in lines 4 and 5.

Value of Production(a)—Australia.
(£'000.)

Class of Industry.	1938-39.	1945-46.	1950-51.	1951-52.	1952-53.
I. Treatment of Non-metalliferous Mine and Quarry Products	5,146	5,473	17,325	21,893	23,287
II. Bricks, Pottery, Glass, &c. ..	5,572	6,065	16,667	20,946	22,170
III. Chemicals, Dyes, Explosives, Paints, Oils, Grease	12,456	22,582	52,703	63,715	67,835
IV. Industrial Metals, Machines, Conveyances	62,435	129,692	326,993	413,051	421,275
V. Precious Metals, Jewellery, Plate ..	931	1,376	4,978	5,438	5,239
VI. Textiles and Textile Goods (not dress)	10,918	22,036	54,608	56,584	64,833
VII. Skins and Leather (not Clothing or Footwear)	3,183	6,850	14,721	13,623	15,838
VIII. Clothing (except Knitted)	16,551	29,835	71,757	81,058	82,786
IX. Food, Drink and Tobacco	41,601	61,988	118,322	141,053	164,333
X. Sawmills, Joinery, Boxes, &c., Wood Turning and Carving	9,461	15,590	44,881	58,082	58,245
XI. Furniture of Wood, Bedding, &c. ..	4,200	5,467	17,137	19,320	19,315
XII. Paper, Stationery, Printing, Book-binding, &c.	14,559	20,496	54,725	68,234	68,293
XIII. Rubber	2,761	4,182	13,065	18,045	16,627
XIV. Musical Instruments	136	207	1,260	1,416	1,378
XV. Miscellaneous Products	2,098	6,609	15,514	17,179	18,353
XVI. Heat, Light and Power	11,409	13,875	19,216	25,230	33,055
Total	203,417	352,323	843,872	1,024,867	1,082,862

(a) See note (c) above.

Average Amount of Salaries and Wages Paid per Employee.(a)
(£.)

Year.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Aust.
1938-39—Males ..	239.24	224.47	238.59	220.95	235.49	212.09	231.84
Females ..	103.66	108.25	96.00	86.44	99.58	93.19	103.92
1948-49—Males ..	455.88	457.85	405.20	441.83	390.29	425.40	446.17
Females ..	245.02	261.17	216.90	227.81	208.35	234.25	246.83
1949-50—Males ..	499.33	510.86	446.87	487.39	433.41	465.46	492.20
Females ..	270.27	291.34	240.93	257.31	231.57	265.37	274.12
1950-51—Males ..	609.05	610.44	516.83	583.37	515.67	558.67	591.41
Females ..	338.08	355.57	289.82	322.03	279.55	322.46	338.12
1951-52—Males ..	756.84	736.68	625.91	716.25	643.68	687.09	725.57
Females ..	428.40	436.60	354.96	405.70	351.30	404.71	422.04
1952-53—Males ..	807.77	793.11	701.45	779.90	711.80	761.21	782.87
Females ..	473.28	483.46	400.48	451.80	400.32	448.58	467.79

(a) Excludes working proprietors and amounts drawn by them.

Average Number of Males and Females Employed(a) over whole Year, 1952-53.

Sex.	N.S.W.	Victoria	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Aust.
Males	291,704	228,724	77,627	67,114	38,614	19,621	723,404
Females	88,509	82,035	15,496	13,369	6,574	3,874	209,857
Masculinity(b) ..	330	279	501	502	587	506	345

(a) Includes working proprietors.

(b) Number of males per 100 females.

PRODUCTION OF CERTAIN COMMODITIES—AUSTRALIA.

Item.	Unit of Quantity.	1938-39.	1950-51.	1951-52.	1952-53.	1953-54.(a)	Three Months ended September—	
							1953. (a)	1954. (a)
Beer(b)	Mill. gal.	90	173	185	197	214	47	51
Biscuits	Mill. lb.	73.7	130.1	149.9	148.3	150.1	38.6	39.8
Blankets	Thousand	1,147	1,945	1,291	939	1,205	332	400
Boots, Shoes and Sandals ..	'000 pair.	13,967	18,906	18,510	17,708	19,650	5,425	5,299
Bricks, Clay	Million.	721	689	715	659	802	203	227
Cement Building Sheets ..	Mill. sq. yds.	9.5	21.2	23.3	24.3	26.5	7.0	7.7
Cement, Portland	'000 tons.	863	1,235	1,237	1,439	1,717	417	505
Cloth, Woven, Woollen(c) ..	Mill. sq. yds.	31.7	3.9	29.1	28.6	32.8	8.6	7.6
Coal—Black	'000 tons.	12,608	16,418	19,171	18,546	19,419	5,283	5,338
Brown	" "	3,208	7,300	8,096	8,075	8,731	2,120	2,483
Confectionery—Chocolate ..	Mill. lb.	43.5	69.1	61.3	59.0	62.3	17.9	14.8
Other	" "	58.1	73.4	78.7	76.6	75.6	20.3	21.7
Copper, Refined(d)	'000 tons.	17.5	11.2	17.8	19.1	23.8	1.4	5.7
Electricity	Mill. kWh	4,688	10,503	11,297	12,045	13,622	3,459	3,938
Electric Motors	Thousand	31.7	523.6	610.4	601.7	977.8	219.9	301.2
Enamels, Natural and Synthetic Engines, Internal Combustion—	'000 gal.	575	1,889	2,093	2,108	2,674	671	946
Marine(e)	Number	2,957	2,296	2,112	1,232	1,365	347	339
Other(f)	" "	2,889	31,322	30,431	21,446	23,877	6,203	5,881
Fibrous Plaster Sheets	'000 sq. yds.	7,605	15,184	16,470	15,418	15,770	3,924	4,497
Flour, Wheat	'000 short tons.	1,373	1,696	1,721	1,726	1,601	462	358
Fruit, Preserved(g)	Mill. lb.	150.7	233.5	256.1	228.4	333.5	12.2	20.7
Gas(h)	Mill. cub. ft.	21,472	37,875	40,391	40,722	42,219	11,738	12,279
Gold (Mine)	'000 fine oz.	1,621	891	909	1,038	1,111	273	286
Hosiery—Men's and Boys' ..	'000 doz. pr.	1,102	1,536	1,462	1,575	1,880	517	468
Women's and Girls' ..	" "	2,136	1,857	1,867	2,337	2,804	725	845
Children's	" "	611	563	462	422	563	158	134
Ice Cream	'000 gal.	4,282	17,385	17,306	13,425	14,127	2,484	2,745
Iron and Steel—Pig Iron ..	'000 tons.	1,105	1,313	1,430	1,692	1,830	466	484
Ingot Steel	" "	1,170	1,444	1,521	1,801	2,130	546	593
Jam	" "	37.9	55.9	48.3	34.6	37.1	5.7	6.7
Lacquers	'000 gal.	576	1,158	1,191	1,013	1,343	330	378
Lead (i)	'000 tons.	233	188	188	192	236	62	65
Malt, Barley and Wheat ..	'000 bush.	3,733	5,772	6,242	6,793	7,161	1,891	1,992
Margarine—Table	'000 lb.	7,448	8,542	15,952	15,856	21,407	5,977	6,095
Other	" "	31,221	49,653	56,168	49,337	45,298	13,439	13,723
Meat, Canned	'000 tons.	14.4	58.0	64.6	93.5	70.5	18.0	23.2
Newsprint	" "	31.0	32.6	34.0	34.0	59.6	11.0	19.1
Paints, Ready Mixed	'000 gal.	2,115	5,590	5,513	4,301	5,225	1,307	1,380
Refrigerators, Domestic ..	Thousand	29.5	203.9	192.8	182.1	276.8	57,370	83,077
Silver, Refined	'000 fine oz.	9,455	6,562	6,681	6,427	8,442	1,823	2,154
Slippers	'000 pr.	7,704	8,641	7,578	6,966	8,513	2,216	1,750
Soap	'000 cwt.	998	1,366	1,305	1,201	1,219	298	312
Stoves, Cooking(j)—Electric (k) ..	Thousand	(l)	44.8	50.9	23.3	36.4	7.3	11.4
Gas	" "	46.7	55.4	51.0	35.7	44.0	11.7	15.2
Solid Fuel	" "	54.5	75.0	71.7	47.9	49.6	14.9	15.6
Sugar, Refined	'000 tons.	339	451	493	440	459	113	123
Sulphate of Ammonia	" "	24.3	57.9	63.8	70.2	71.3	13.7	20.4
Sulphuric Acid (100%)	" "	439	640	650	627	735	169	192
Superphosphate	" "	1,199	1,548	1,597	1,581	1,771	410	449
Tiles, Roofing—Terra Cotta ..	Million.	39.7	47.0	48.9	58.0	64.0	17.0	17.0
Cement	" "	4.5	50.8	66.5	45.3	45.4	11.6	13.7
Timber, Sawn Native (m) ..	Mill. sup. ft.	717	1,261	1,392	1,340	1,406		
Tobacco, Cigars and Cigarettes ..	Mill. lb.	23.3	31.8	33.5	36.3	40.2	9.8	10.2
Vegetables, Preserved (n) ..	" "	10.3	79.5	100.4	66.3	39.6	5.6	7.0
Wool, Scoured	" "	105	152	121	124	136	35	34
Wool Tops	" "	25.2	29.8	24.8	26.5	32.7	9.1	8.7
Yarn, Woollen and Worsted ..	" "	32.5	46.6	36.5	35.6	44.9	11.5	11.4
Zinc, Refined	'000 tons.	69.8	77.7	84.1	86.2	99.2	21.9	26.8

(a) Subject to revision. (b) Includes waste beer. (c) Includes wool in admixture with fibres other than rayon. (d) Excludes copper refined from imported blister copper. (e) Other than Diesel type. (f) Excludes motor car, motor cycle, truck, tractor and aeroplane. (g) Includes all types of preserved apples. (h) Made in gas-works only. (i) Includes lead in lead bullion, produced for export. (j) Domestic. (k) Excludes stovetops, cookers, &c. (l) Figures prior to 1948-49 not available on a comparable basis. (m) Includes sawn sleepers. (n) Includes preserved tomatoes.

ESTIMATED NET VALUE OF PRODUCTION^(a)—AUSTRALIA.^(b)

(PRIMARY INDUSTRIES AND FACTORIES.)

NOTE.—Depreciation and Maintenance Costs have not been deducted.

(£'000.)

Industry.	1938-39.	1948-49.	1949-50.	1950-51.	1951-52.	1952-53.
TOTAL NET VALUE OF PRODUCTION.						
Agriculture ..	41,679	164,372	218,703	208,130	246,685	276,398
Pastoral(c) ..	63,820	240,855	337,121	704,809	400,493	493,745
Dairying ..	33,782	67,552	81,102	89,352	103,776	135,745
Poultry ..	7,302	20,196	22,228	24,614	31,554	35,213
Bee-farming(d) ..	123	1,509	743	831	774	1,066
Total Rural ..	146,706	494,484	659,897	1,027,736	783,282	942,167
Trapping(d) ..	1,422	7,786	5,716	6,629	6,713	5,595
Forestry(d) ..	7,811	20,305	23,195	28,428	37,905	41,864
Fisheries(d) ..	1,654	4,174	4,234	4,869	5,729	6,897
Mining and Quarrying	27,375	48,353	52,327	71,150	97,199	(e)109,671
Total Non-Rural ..	38,262	80,618	85,472	111,076	147,546	(e)164,027
Total All Primary	184,968	575,102	745,369	1,138,812	930,828	e1,106,194
Factories ..	203,417	568,769	661,532	843,872	1,024,867	1,082,862
Total All Industries	388,385	1,143,871	1,406,901	1,982,684	1,955,695	e2,189,056

NET VALUE OF PRODUCTION PER HEAD OF POPULATION.

(£ s. d.)

Agriculture ..	6 0 6	21 3 3	27 5 8	25 3 1	29 0 7	31 15 3
Pastoral(c) ..	9 4 7	31 0 1	42 1 2	85 3 9	47 2 7	56 14 8
Dairying ..	4 17 9	8 13 11	10 2 4	10 16 0	12 4 3	15 12 0
Poultry ..	1 1 1	2 12 0	2 15 6	2 19 6	3 14 3	4 0 11
Bee-farming(d) ..	0 0 4	0 3 11	0 1 11	0 2 0	0 1 10	0 2 5
Total Rural ..	21 4 3	63 13 2	82 6 7	124 4 4	92 3 6	108 5 3
Trapping(d) ..	0 4 1	1 0 1	0 14 3	0 16 0	0 15 10	0 12 10
Forestry(d) ..	1 2 7	2 12 3	2 17 11	3 8 9	4 9 3	4 16 3
Fisheries (d) ..	0 4 10	0 10 9	0 10 7	0 11 9	0 13 6	0 15 10
Mining and Quarrying	3 19 2	6 4 6	6 10 7	8 12 0	11 8 9	e12 12 1
Total Non-Rural ..	5 10 8	10 7 7	10 13 4	13 8 6	17 7 4	e18 17 0
Total All Primary	26 14 11	74 0 9	92 19 11	137 12 10	109 10 10	e127 2 3
Factories ..	29 8 4	73 4 6	82 10 7	101 19 11	120 12 0	124 8 7
Total All Industries	56 3 3	147 5 3	175 10 6	239 12 9	230 2 10	251 10 10

(e)

(a) Includes amounts paid as bounty, relief, &c. (b) Excludes Australian Capital Territory and Northern Territory. (c) Distributions of profits from the 1939-45 Wartime Wool Disposals Plan have been excluded. (d) Local value. (e) Includes Northern Territory for Mining and Quarrying.

ESTIMATED NET VALUE OF PRODUCTION^(a) 1952-53.

(PRIMARY INDUSTRIES AND FACTORIES.)

NOTE.—Depreciation and Maintenance Costs have not been deducted.

(£'000.)

Industry.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Aust. (b)
TOTAL NET VALUE OF PRODUCTION.							
Agriculture	66,623	65,067	53,684	51,244	28,977	10,803	276,398
Pastoral(c)	206,872	108,459	82,442	49,918	38,642	7,412	493,745
Dairying	45,668	42,687	30,158	9,427	3,911	3,894	135,745
Poultry	14,615	14,886	1,147	2,058	1,449	1,058	35,213
Bee-farming(d) ..	359	269	97	223	100	18	1,066
Total Rural	334,137	231,368	167,528	112,870	73,079	23,185	942,167
Trapping(d)	1,793	2,717	129	541	230	185	5,595
Forestry(d)	15,492	8,904	7,102	3,790	3,328	3,248	41,864
Fisheries(d)	2,233	753	844	851	1,610	696	6,897
Mining and Quarrying ..	63,166	6,632	13,860	5,153	12,410	7,325	109,671
Total Non-rural ..	82,684	19,006	21,935	10,335	17,578	11,364	164,027
Total All Primary ..	416,821	250,374	189,463	123,205	90,657	34,549	1,106,194
Factories	457,742	358,032	98,209	89,189	49,192	30,498	1,082,862
Total All Industries ..	874,563	608,406	287,672	212,394	139,849	65,047	2,189,056

NET VALUE OF PRODUCTION PER HEAD OF POPULATION.

(£ s. d.)

Agriculture	19 9 7	27 10 10	42 19 9	68 7 5	47 5 10	34 19 5	31 15 3
Pastoral(c)	60 9 8	45 18 3	66 0 4	66 12 0	63 1 3	23 19 10	56 14 8
Dairying	13 7 1	18 1 5	24 3 0	12 11 7	6 7 8	12 12 1	15 12 0
Poultry	4 5 6	6 6 0	0 18 4	2 14 11	2 7 4	3 8 6	4 0 11
Bee-farming(d) ..	0 2 1	0 2 3	0 1 7	0 5 11	0 3 3	0 1 2	0 2 5
Total Rural	97 13 11	97 18 9	134 3 0	150 11 10	119 5 4	75 1 0	103 5 3
Trapping(d)	0 10 6	1 3 0	0 2 1	0 14 5	0 7 6	0 12 0	0 12 10
Forestry(d)	4 10 7	3 15 5	5 13 9	5 1 2	5 8 7	10 10 3	4 16 3
Fisheries(d)	0 13 1	0 6 4	0 13 6	1 2 9	2 12 7	1 19 3	0 15 10
Mining and Quarrying ..	18 9 4	2 16 2	11 1 11	6 17 6	20 5 1	23 14 3	12 12 1
Total Non-Rural ..	24 3 6	8 0 11	17 11 3	13 15 10	28 13 9	36 15 9	18 17 0
Total All Primary ..	121 17 5	105 19 8	151 14 3	164 7 8	147 19 1	111 16 9	127 2 3
Factories	133 16 9	151 11 0	78 12 10	118 19 11	80 5 8	93 14 5	124 8 7
Total All Industries ..	255 14 2	257 10 8	230 7 1	283 7 7	228 4 9	210 11 2	251 10 10

(a) Includes amounts paid as bounty relief, &c. (b) Excludes Australian Capital Territory and Northern Territory except for Mining and Quarrying for the Northern Territory. (c) Distributions of profits from the Wartime Wool Disposals Plan have been excluded. (d) Local value.

Section III.—Building.

VALUE OF NEW BUILDINGS COMPLETED, THREE MONTHS ENDED
30th SEPTEMBER, 1954.

(INCLUDING ESTIMATED VALUE OF OWNER-BUILT HOUSES.)

(£'000.)

Kind of Building.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	A.C.T.	Aust.
Houses—								
Brick, Brick Veneer, Concrete and Stone	6,375	5,627	424	3,733	2,485	372	415	19,431
Wood (Weatherboard, &c.)	4,727	8,702	2,819	1,234	109	948	127	18,666
Fibro Cement ..	8,300	606	455	477	2,733	36	3	12,610
Other	33	109	41	17	1	..	..	201
Total Houses ..	19,435	15,044	3,739	5,461	5,328	1,356	545	60,908
Flats	212	542	113	5	135	33	..	1,040
Shops with Dwellings ..	261	309	55	50	39	3	10	727
Shops without Dwellings	635	601	158	106	198	41	8	1,747
Hotels, Guest Houses, Boarding Houses, &c.	526	75	24	24	..	..	..	649
Factories	1,623	2,069	67	436	837	100	20	5,152
Other New Buildings ..	4,427	3,676	1,777	1,338	1,414	1,061	250	13,943
Total Other Buildings	7,684	7,272	2,194	1,959	2,623	1,238	288	23,258
Total New Buildings	27,119	22,316	5,933	7,420	7,951	2,594	833	74,166

VALUE (WHEN COMPLETED) OF NEW BUILDINGS.

(INCLUDING ESTIMATED VALUE OF OWNER-BUILT HOUSES.)

(£'000.)

Period.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	A.C.T.	Aust.
COMMENCED.								
1949-50	(a)51,277	44,218	16,994	11,301	8,459	8,379	1,492	(a)142,120
1950-51	(a)79,750	74,750	21,082	17,827	14,186	10,336	2,439	(a)220,370
1951-52	83,460	78,740	27,605	22,606	18,724	11,004	2,559	244,698
1952-53	71,005	60,244	25,680	25,819	20,919	6,511	2,788	213,066
1953-54	111,097	87,733	27,838	25,649	26,369	9,224	2,856	290,766
Three months ended—								
September, 1953 ..	25,216	22,396	6,267	6,917	6,461	1,962	803	70,022
September, 1954 ..	32,201	26,033	7,660	6,892	9,555	2,723	755	85,819

COMPLETED.

Period.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	A.C.T.	Aust.
1949-50	(a)40,920	34,684	13,953	9,074	5,352	5,342	1,462	(a)110,787
1950-51	(a)49,466	52,058	17,286	12,042	8,948	8,403	1,717	(a)149,920
1951-52	76,207	68,615	25,339	18,123	14,426	10,511	2,723	215,944
1952-53	98,049	76,107	26,233	25,882	22,918	10,665	2,875	262,729
1953-54	101,545	84,018	25,913	26,108	25,785	9,692	3,878	276,939
Three months ended—								
September, 1953 ..	24,296	22,463	6,627	5,941	6,308	2,283	610	68,528
September, 1954 ..	27,119	22,316	5,933	7,420	7,951	2,594	833	74,166

UNDER CONSTRUCTION AT END OF PERIOD.

Period.	(a)							(a)
1949-50	75,006	56,096	11,805	10,519	10,022	8,989	4,396	176,833
1950-51	102,708	85,058	15,653	17,272	15,942	12,178	5,302	254,113
1951-52	125,674	102,670	18,728	23,813	22,302	13,770	6,208	313,165
1952-53	105,261	94,017	17,838	25,253	23,189	10,494	7,161	288,213
1953-54	120,460	101,433	19,699	23,730	25,701	11,782	7,249	310,054
September, 1953 ..	109,826	94,132	17,455	25,055	24,051	11,004	7,457	288,980
September, 1954 ..	126,540	105,536	21,329	23,327	27,842	12,179	7,296	324,049

(a) Partly estimated.

NUMBER OF NEW HOUSES COMPLETED, THREE MONTHS ENDED 30th SEPTEMBER, 1954.

(INCLUDING OWNER-BUILT HOUSES.)

Material of Outer Walls.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	A.C.T.	Aust.
Brick, Brick Veneer, Concrete and Stone .. Wood (Weatherboard, &c.)	1,646	1,594	146	1,333	726	114	89	5,648
Fibro Cement.. ..	1,839	3,425	1,317	388	48	406	18	7,441
Other	3,708	303	255	221	1,195	23	1	5,826
	12	41	18	9	1	..	..	81
Total	7,295	5,363	1,766	1,951	1,970	543	108	18,996

NUMBER OF NEW HOUSES.

(INCLUDING OWNER-BUILT HOUSES.)

Period.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	A.C.T.	Aust.
COMMENCED.								
1949-50	(a)22,055	19,643	10,009	6,109	5,031	3,664	389	(a)66,900
1950-51	(a)25,162	26,949	10,698	7,966	6,970	4,122	877	(a)82,744
1951-52	24,364	23,506	11,995	8,510	7,730	3,584	312	80,001
1952-53	21,030	16,254	9,381	7,967	7,012	2,285	528	64,457
1953-54	28,395	20,915	8,513	6,702	7,608	2,665	355	75,243
Three months ended— September, 1953 ..	6,788	5,294	2,217	1,907	1,984	683	72	18,945
September, 1954 ..	6,889	6,025	2,097	1,653	2,466	641	88	19,859

COMPLETED.

1949-50	(a)18,766	15,611	9,447	4,904	3,509	2,852	404	(a)55,493
1950-51	(a)19,771	21,161	10,275	6,725	5,160	3,914	574	(a)87,580
1951-52	23,351	23,951	11,803	7,711	6,577	3,999	584	77,976
1952-53	24,890	21,033	10,598	8,910	7,965	3,314	590	77,330
1953-54	26,513	21,101	8,961	7,522	7,627	2,630	552	74,906
Three months ended— September, 1953 ..	5,918	5,626	2,266	1,973	1,893	608	124	18,408
September, 1954 ..	7,295	5,363	1,766	1,951	1,970	543	108	18,996

UNDER CONSTRUCTION AT END OF PERIOD.

1949-50	(a)26,402	21,553	4,520	5,241	3,957	3,357	678	(a)65,708
1950-51	31,793	27,341	4,943	6,529	5,764	3,558	981	80,909
1951-52	32,806	26,896	5,135	7,395	6,917	3,143	708	83,000
1952-53	28,946	22,053	3,918	6,464	5,951	2,114	646	70,092
1953-54	30,828	21,865	3,470	5,750	5,932	2,149	449	70,443
September, 1953 ..	29,816	21,721	3,869	6,422	6,042	2,189	594	70,653
September, 1954 ..	30,422	22,527	3,801	5,447	6,428	2,247	429	71,301

(a) Partly estimated.

NUMBER OF NEW FLATS COMPLETED.(a)

(INDIVIDUAL FLATS.)

Period.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	A.C.T.	Aust.
1949-50	1,075	246	16	..	101	24	32	1,494
1950-51	966	333	26	..	305	18	36	1,684
1951-52	1,225	416	29	..	215	21	100	2,006
1952-53	1,664	692	53	58	100	14	46	2,627
1953-54	1,011	689	156	99	212	13	..	2,180
Three months ended— September, 1953 ..	344	201	38	16	65	..	..	664
September, 1954(b) ..	102	219	64	3	85	12	..	485

(a) Figures are additional to numbers of houses shown above. Each flat is counted as a separate unit, and the numbers shown relate to individual flats. Only new flats are included, i.e., the conversions of old buildings into flats are omitted. (b) In this period 817 flats were commenced, and 2567 flats were under construction at the end of the period in Australia.

Section IV.—Oversea Trade.

COMPILED FROM INFORMATION SUPPLIED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF TRADE AND CUSTOMS.

OVERSEA TRADE—STATES.
(£A'000 f.o.b. Port of Shipment.)

State or Territory.	1938-39.	1950-51.	1951-52.	1952-53.	1953-54.
IMPORTS.					
New South Wales	53,088	303,977	429,104	210,148	280,537
Victoria	40,463	263,066	363,193	173,775	237,683
Queensland	9,070	67,400	86,427	43,222	55,631
South Australia	6,670	56,001	93,031	43,275	51,472
Western Australia	6,137	40,258	60,236	29,874	42,525
Tasmania	1,292	12,529	20,711	13,315	13,049
Northern Territory	34	640	720	500	642
Australian Capital Territory .. .. .	..	..	1	..	..
Australia	116,754	743,871	1,053,423	514,109	681,539
EXPORTS.(a)					
New South Wales	45,903	325,637	201,460	270,082	263,175
Victoria	30,819	265,044	185,994	228,118	203,581
Queensland	28,652	160,332	95,975	145,098	165,105
South Australia	14,841	107,674	97,251	122,949	110,249
Western Australia	17,070	98,843	75,751	83,143	68,424
Tasmania	3,198	24,257	18,512	21,849	17,733
Northern Territory	13	9	35	34	30
Australia	140,496	981,796	675,008	871,272	828,297

(a) In this table goods are shown against the State from which they were finally despatched.

OVERSEA TRADE—AUSTRALIA.

Period.	Total Trade.	Imports.	Exports.(a)			Value per Head of Population.				
			Aust. Produce.	Re-exports.	Total.	Total Trade.	Imports.	Exports.		
								Aust. Produce.	Re-exports.	Total.
1938-39 ..	£A'000 f.o.b. 257,250	£A'000 f.o.b. 116,754	£A'000 f.o.b. 135,476	£A'000 f.o.b. 5,020	£A'000 f.o.b. 140,496	£ 37.1	£ 16.8	£ 19.6	£ 0.7	£ 20.3
1950-51 ..	1,723,667	743,871	975,614	6,132	981,796	207.6	89.5	117.4	0.7	118.1
1951-52 ..	1,728,431	1,053,423	667,059	7,949	675,008	202.4	123.4	78.1	0.9	79.0
1952-53 ..	1,385,381	514,109	863,291	7,981	871,272	158.4	58.8	98.7	0.9	99.6
1953-54 ..	1,509,836	681,539	820,022	8,275	828,297	169.3	76.4	92.0	0.9	92.9
Three months ended—										
Sept., 1953 ..	349,142	157,930	189,308	1,904	191,212	39.5	17.9	21.4	0.2	21.6
Sept., 1954 ..	360,564	207,838	150,329	2,397	152,726	40.0	23.1	16.6	0.3	16.9

(a) Excludes the value of stores shipped in Australian ports on board overseas ships. The values of Ships' stores in £A'000 were: 1938-39, £2,106; 1950-51, £9,368; 1951-52, £10,478; 1952-53, £11,696; and 1953-54, £10,267.

(£A'000 f.o.b. Port of Shipment.)

Period.	Imports.			Exports.			Excess of Exports (+) or Imports (-)		
	Merchandise.	Bullion and Specie.	Total.	Merchandise.	Bullion and Specie.	Total.	Merchandise.	Bullion and Specie.	Total.
1938-39 ..	113,217	3,537	116,754	121,533	18,963	140,496	+8,316	+15,426	+23,742
1950-51 ..	741,378	2,493	743,871	979,096	2,700	981,796	+237,718	+207	+237,925
1951-52 ..	1,049,751	3,672	1,053,423	665,240	9,768	675,008	-384,511	+6,096	-378,415
1952-53 ..	510,342	3,767	514,109	848,498	22,774	871,272	+338,156	+19,007	+357,163
1953-54 ..	678,520	3,019	681,539	811,831	16,466	828,297	+133,311	+13,447	+146,758
Three months ended—									
Sept., 1953 ..	157,362	568	157,930	184,097	7,115	191,212	+26,735	+6,547	+33,282
Sept., 1954 ..	207,333	505	207,838	150,925	1,801	152,726	-56,408	+1,296	-55,112

IMPORTS INTO AUSTRALIA OF THE PRODUCE OR MANUFACTURE OF THE UNDERMENTIONED COUNTRIES.
(£A'000 f.o.b. Port of Shipment.)

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Classes of Goods.	United Kingdom.	Borneo (British).	Canada.	Ceylon.	India.	Malaya, Federation of.	New Zealand.	Singapore.	South Africa, Union of.	Bahrein Islands.	Belgium (a)	Brazil.
1. Foodstuffs of animal origin ..	305	..	156	..	..	..	143	..	147	..	..	..
2. Foodstuffs of vegetable origin; non-alcoholic beverages ..	303	50	..	5,796	195	55	91	17	122	..	1	144
3. Spirituous and alcoholic liquors ..	387	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
4. Tobacco ..	492	..	19	..	..	..	..	..	51	..	..	..
5. Live animals ..	27	..	..	..	1	..	110	..	..	..	..	..
6. Animal substances, not food-stuffs ..	102	..	10	..	174	..	384	..	10	..	..	..
7. Vegetable substances and fibres; cork and manufactures; plastic moulding materials and synthetic fibres ..	186	1	..	73	284	28	293	1	98	2	7	660
8. Yarns and manufactured fibres, textiles and apparel ..	19,404	..	138	4	6,158	1	26	1	1	..	667	..
9. Oils, fats and waxes ..	2,732	4,938	..	..	77	..	171	940	69	3,956	7	63
10. Pigments, paints, varnishes ..	625	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..
11. Rocks, minerals and hydrocarbons ..	131	..	355	6	67	41	17	..	358	12	..	1
12. Metals, metal manufactures and machinery ..	49,008	..	2,703	25	9	53	103	4	13	..	1,186	..
13. Rubber and leather and manufactures thereof ..	1,061	17	11	..	6	2,017	4	1	..	..	1	..
14. Wood and wicker ..	88	239	1,018	..	1	199	280	2	..	..	1	53
15. Earthenware, cement, china, glass and stoneware ..	2,692	..	20	..	..	..	13	..	..	..	490	..
16. Pulp, paper, paper manufactures and stationery ..	5,123	..	1,098	..	33	..	307	..	3	..	57	..
17. Sporting material, toys, fancy goods, jewellery and time-pieces ..	1,033	..	4	4	12	..	1	..	137	..	25	..
18. Optical, surgical and scientific instruments ..	1,504	..	53	..	..	..	1	4	..	..	24	..
19. Drugs, fertilizers and chemicals ..	3,236	..	52	8	5	2	6	..	53	..	27	3
20. Miscellaneous ..	5,780	2	311	100	48	15	79	6	43	..	196	6
21. Gold and silver; bronze specie ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	87	..	..	..	..	..
Three months ended—												
September, 1954 ..	94,219	5,247	5,948	6,016	7,070	2,411	2,116	976	1,106	3,970	2,699	930
September, 1953 ..	75,349	1,836	5,060	3,659	5,569	2,223	1,291	2,143	755	4,254	1,258	305
Year 1953-54 ..	331,701	8,439	18,742	13,490	18,475	8,721	6,854	8,529	3,375	16,410	7,063	1,851
„ 1952-53 ..	214,702	5,998	19,546	9,786	14,646	5,798	3,999	5,858	3,101	14,912	5,506	901
„ 1951-52 ..	465,706	6,903	23,559	11,173	47,825	18,632	7,410	8,764	4,418	13,068	27,528	7,865
„ 1938-39 ..	46,094	215	8,806	957	3,272	1,029	2,087	(b)	291	744	1,122	81

(a) Includes Luxemburg prior to 1954-55.

(b) Included with Federation of Malaya.

OVERSEA TRADE.

Imports into Australia of the Produce or Manufacture of the Undermentioned Countries—continued.
(£A'000 f.o.b. Port of Shipment.)

Classes of Goods.	Czecho- slovakia.	France.	Germany, Federal Republic of.	Indonesia, Republic of.	Italy.	Japan.	Nether- lands.	Norway.	Iran (Persia.)	Sweden.	United States of America.	Total, All Coun- tries.
1. Foodstuffs of animal origin ..	13	2	61	..	27	138	13	407	..	5	30	1,743
2. Foodstuffs of vegetable origin; non-alcoholic beverages ..	..	5	6	384	188	1	516	..	..	1	2	9,684
3. Spirituous and alcoholic liquors ..	..	34	2	..	9	..	4	..	..	..	..	449
4. Tobacco ..	..	..	1	..	8	..	23	1	..	..	584	2,739
5. Live animals ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	141
6. Animal substances, not food- stuffs ..	..	11	6	..	..	14	5	18	..	10	24	1,060
7. Vegetable substances and fibres; cork and manufac- tures; plastic moulding ma- terials and synthetic fibres ..	..	36	66	235	34	16	31	17	4	24	1,213	5,496
8. Yarns and manufactured fibres, textiles and apparel ..	339	1,201	1,082	3	1,479	2,173	1,231	5	3	14	120	36,707
9. Oils, fats and waxes ..	..	104	29	5,524	129	175	93	..	67	7	2,410	25,423
10. Pigments, paints, varnishes ..	..	3	107	..	3	25	11	1	..	..	436	1,293
11. Rocks, minerals and hydro- carbons ..	..	2	16	..	12	29	4	4	..	10	660	1,928
12. Metals, metal manufactures and machinery ..	72	970	3,108	..	429	160	798	246	..	750	14,544	76,252
13. Rubber and leather and manufactures thereof ..	2	58	32	30	42	6	2	..	..	5	244	3,788
14. Wood and wicker ..	5	20	14	50	6	31	4	33	..	341	643	3,331
15. Earthenware, cement, china, glass and stoneware ..	126	57	133	1	58	122	22	5	..	85	131	4,043
16. Pulp, paper, paper manufac- tures and stationery ..	25	48	202	..	63	178	189	590	..	1,920	361	10,928
17. Sporting material, toys, fancy goods, jewellery and time- pieces ..	61	48	773	..	79	108	38	16	..	35	4	3,064
18. Optical, surgical and scientific instruments ..	14	47	343	..	82	20	32	..	..	11	411	2,689
19. Drugs, fertilizers and chemicals ..	2	298	781	2	69	37	187	41	..	86	519	6,664
20. Miscellaneous ..	33	117	470	29	331	67	158	47	1	142	1,104	9,911
21. Gold and silver; bronze specie ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	505
Three months ended—												
September, 1954 ..	692	3,061	7,232	6,258	3,043	3,300	3,361	1,431	75	3,446	23,442	207,838
September, 1953 ..	584	3,180	4,897	5,530	2,870	885	2,126	832	10	2,468	14,736	157,930
Year 1953-54 ..	2,147	11,793	21,365	21,972	11,182	6,544	9,618	4,737	47	10,230	73,254	681,539
„ 1952-53 ..	1,019	9,253	13,582	21,544	5,225	4,692	5,954	2,420	323	6,786	85,168	514,109
„ 1951-52 ..	6,513	22,390	32,718	25,530	27,712	43,582	14,975	11,650	2,292	27,537	109,141	1,053,423
„ 1950-51 ..	5,984	16,414	14,665	21,788	16,655	15,595	8,281	4,962	15,962	16,298	60,878	743,871
„ 1938-39 ..	572	1,172	(a) 4,710	8,117	781	4,666	799	432	956	1,079	16,699	(b) 116,754

(a) Pre-War Germany.

(b) Includes outside packages not distributed according to countries.

EXPORTS FROM AUSTRALIA TO THE UNDERMENTIONED COUNTRIES.
(£A'000 f.o.b. Port of Shipment.)

Classes of Goods.	United Kingdom.	Canada.	Ceylon.	Hong Kong.	India.	Ireland, Republic of.	Malaya, Federation of.	New Zealand.	Singapore.	Union of South Africa.	Belgium (a)	Egypt.
1. Foodstuffs of animal origin ..	16,557	350	373	424	398	2	383	22	1,070	26	98	162
2. Foodstuffs of vegetable origin; non-alcoholic beverages ..	18,039	3,112	913	470	1,162	401	951	3,183	1,085	10	743	286
3. Spirituous and alcoholic liquors ..	81	95	..	2	1	..	3	29	6	..	..	..
4. Tobacco ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..
5. Live animals ..	1	..	..	19	1	..	..	24	68	..	..	..
6. Animal substances, not foodstuffs ..	18,436	430	..	143	119	621	..	138	..	71	3,709	32
7. Vegetable substances and fibres; cork and manufactures; plastic moulding materials and synthetic fibres ..	43	..	..	..	2	..	1	128	..	5	..	..
8. Yarns and manufactured fibres, textiles and apparel ..	62	21	..	7	5	..	1	233	2	5	6	..
9. Oils, fats and waxes ..	172	..	35	9	52	..	10	55	298	3	..	1
10. Pigments, paints, varnishes ..	11	..	2	3	1	..	1	122	6	..	..	..
11. Rocks, minerals and hydrocarbons ..	2,695	25	..	..	5	..	..	100	2	11	581	..
12. Metals, metal manufactures and machinery ..	3,756	19	28	45	918	..	163	3,113	244	384	46	2
13. Rubber and leather and manufactures thereof ..	339	2	..	104	2	..	8	128	38	38	4	..
14. Wood and wicker ..	118	7	..	3	..	1	2	244	7	7	..	..
15. Earthenware, cement, china, glass and stoneware ..	2	..	..	3	..	..	..	398	2	1	..	..
16. Pulp, paper, paper manufactures and stationery ..	92	2	1	1	9	..	1	444	12	10	..	..
17. Sporting material, toys, fancy goods, jewellery and timepieces ..	15	3	1	..	..	..	1	67	11	17	1	..
18. Optical, surgical and scientific instruments ..	41	1	..	3	1	1	1	176	8	13	..	..
19. Drugs, fertilizers and chemicals ..	142	9	5	24	12	..	45	434	24	24	18	1
20. Miscellaneous ..	496	10	22	32	12	..	53	616	65	12	1	..
21. Gold and silver; bronze specie ..	55	..	515	1,187	..	..	..	12	..	..	..	..
Three months ended—												
September, 1934 ..	61,153	4,086	1,895	2,479	2,700	1,026	1,624	9,668	2,948	637	5,207	484
September, 1953 ..	71,520	5,555	2,965	1,192	7,009	441	2,110	9,029	3,020	1,333	6,022	961
Year 1953-54 ..	300,730	11,037	11,847	7,773	14,294	2,186	9,143	33,469	11,288	3,588	32,663	3,073
" 1952-53 ..	359,257	8,712	14,687	4,855	17,148	4,354	9,344	28,677	12,794	3,640	32,141	3,374
" 1951-52 ..	208,159	9,177	10,630	3,800	16,911	2,426	8,532	37,321	11,810	3,528	24,940	8,976
" 1950-51 ..	320,605	17,212	8,950	5,968	21,981	3,055	8,214	20,265	10,875	4,178	48,245	22,306
" 1938-39 ..	68,716	1,994	1,327	475	1,965	327	1,911	6,682	(b)	813	5,547	601

(a) Includes Luxemburg prior to 1954-55.

(b) Included with Federation of Malaya.

Exports from Australia to the Undermentioned Countries—continued.
(£A'000 f.o.b. Port of Shipment.)

Classes of Goods.	France.	Germany, Federal Republic of.	Indonesia, Republic of.	Italy.	Japan.	Nether- lands.	Iran (Persia.)	Poland.	Sweden.	U.S.S.R.	United States of America.	Total. All Countries.
1. Foodstuffs of animal origin ..	47	119	38	95	135	107	4	..	4	..	464	23,971
2. Foodstuffs of vegetable origin; non-alcoholic beverages ..	9	2,627	685	27	365	1,072	..	..	5	..	27	38,544
3. Spirituous and alcoholic liquors ..	..	..	4	..	23	..	..	..	..	..	1	387
4. Tobacco ..	..	..	..	..	7	5	..	..	..	..	..	83
5. Live animals ..	..	..	..	..	23	..	..	..	..	..	0	234
6. Animal substances, not food- stuffs ..	10,192	2,896	..	2,500	7,616	283	50	782	304	..	5,812	56,989
7. Vegetable substances and fibres; cork and manufac- tures; plastic moulding ma- terials and synthetic fibres ..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	120	336
8. Yarns and manufactured fibres, textiles and apparel ..	5	5	3	74	2	..	..	..	1	..	23	663
9. Oils, fats and waxes ..	..	205	..	..	21	428	..	..	..	..	11	1,577
10. Pigments, paints, varnishes ..	..	4	9	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	288
11. Rocks, minerals and hydro- carbons ..	88	86	..	79	209	102	..	..	27	..	1,433	4,414
12. Metals, metal manufactures and machinery ..	79	136	115	78	84	82	1	..	24	..	2,947	15,998
13. Rubber and leather and manufactures thereof ..	1	..	2	2	..	..	..	..	7	..	4	818
14. Wood and wicker ..	..	1	..	1	..	6	..	..	1	..	3	565
15. Earthenware, cement, china, glass and stoneware ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	480
16. Pulp, paper, paper manufac- tures and stationery ..	1	..	..	11	1	..	..	..	5	..	5	712
17. Sporting material, toys, fancy goods, jewellery and time- pieces ..	..	12	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	23	177
18. Optical, surgical and scientific instruments ..	1	2	2	1	9	..	..	..	..	..	49	405
19. Drugs, fertilizers and chemicals ..	7	19	5	..	34	1	..	..	9	..	73	1,152
20. Miscellaneous ..	2	12	5	6	380	7	..	..	10	..	65	3,123
21. Gold and silver; bronze specie ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	8	1,801
Three months ended—												
September, 1954 ..	10,432	6,125	868	2,964	8,910	2,094	55	782	398	..	11,077	152,726
September, 1953 ..	15,672	4,049	2,315	6,338	11,588	1,072	42	1,501	986	3,592	12,875	191,212
Year 1953-54 ..	74,401	27,096	6,586	51,326	55,689	5,578	198	7,286	3,602	26,146	55,534	828,297
„ 1952-53 ..	76,016	22,366	5,064	44,706	83,058	8,081	327	3,644	2,888	1,642	57,837	871,272
„ 1951-52 ..	57,875	20,839	3,967	37,998	48,514	11,353	439	5,008	6,086	..	77,215	675,008
„ 1950-51 ..	89,820	27,737	3,243	49,010	61,550	11,240	1,280	14,785	12,426	8,396	148,830	981,796
„ 1938-39 ..	9,386	(a) 2,652	1,830	1,211	4,865	1,039	3	426	637	278	19,562	140,496

(a) Pre-War Germany.

CUSTOMS AND EXCISE REVENUE—AUSTRALIA.

(\$A'000.)

Division.	Year ended June.		September Quarter.	
	1953.	1954.	1953.	1954.
CUSTOMS.				
1. Ale, Spirits and Beverages ..	2,015	2,354	502	739
2. Tobacco and Manufactures thereof	19,213	18,899	5,193	4,017
3. Sugar .. ..	..	3	..	4
4. Agricultural Products and Groceries	1,291	1,719	384	540
5. Textiles, &c. and Attire ..	3,473	10,667	2,062	3,473
6. Metals and Machinery ..	9,548	12,006	2,669	3,898
7. Oils, Paints and Varnishes ..	25,712	27,338	6,699	5,583
8. Earthenware, &c.	740	1,676	314	595
9. Drugs and Chemicals	467	738	152	258
10. Wood, Wicker and Cane	393	1,076	215	324
11. Jewellery and Fancy Goods ..	1,176	2,624	525	1,062
12. Leather and Rubber	819	1,338	291	439
13. Paper and Stationery	395	907	172	402
14. Vehicles	2,643	6,083	1,251	2,405
15. Musical Instruments	31	58	8	23
16. Miscellaneous	1,191	2,298	497	818
Primage	7,200	8,636	2,117	2,247
Ships' Stores	122	130	45	27
Other Miscellaneous Receipts ..	640	771	211	151
Total Customs	77,069	99,321	23,307	27,005
EXCISE.				
Beer	65,844	71,068	15,818	16,659
Cigarette Papers and Tubes	1,019	1,072	258	252
Coal	552	579	143	159
Matches	956	1,084	266	280
Petrol	3,826	5,555	932	3,137
Playing Cards	40	53	12	11
Spirits	6,695	6,361	1,687	1,847
Tobacco, Cigars, Cigarettes and Snuff	33,927	39,294	9,383	10,163
Other Excise, including Licences ..	289	418	98	128
Total Excise	113,148	125,484	28,597	32,636
Total Gross Customs and Excise Collections	190,217	224,805	51,904	59,641
Refunds and Drawback paid	6,393	4,588	1,347	1,603
TOTAL NET REVENUE ..	183,824	220,217	50,557	58,038

VALUE OF COMMODITIES IMPORTED INTO AND EXPORTED FROM AUSTRALIA.

IMPORTS.

(£A'000 f.o.b. Port of Shipment.)

Particulars.	Year Ended June, 1954.	September Quarter.	
		1953.	1954.
CLASS I.—FOODSTUFFS OF ANIMAL ORIGIN.			
Cheese	185	28	84
Fish—			
Fresh or Preserved by Cold Process	1,197	244	285
Preserved in Airtight Vessels	2,443	344	911
Other	464	76	136
Lactose	202	60	26
Meats—			
Sausage Casings	558	131	212
Other	617	579	18
Other Foodstuffs of Animal Origin	187	44	71
Total, Class I.	5,853	1,506	1,743
CLASS II.—FOODSTUFFS OF VEGETABLE ORIGIN; NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES.			
Cocoa Butter	2,209	422	765
Cocoa Beans, Cocoa Mass, Paste or Slab	3,026	214	1,031
Coffee and Chicory	2,161	656	527
Confectionery, including Cocoa and Chocolate	140	31	70
Fruit, Dried, Dates	284	1	..
Grain and Pulse	535	135	132
Hops	543	121	64
Nuts, edible	1,580	399	420
Pickles and Sauces	100	13	23
Sago and Tapioca	88	40	22
Spices	682	165	225
Sugars and Sugar Syrups	183	15	31
Tea	13,647	3,407	6,089
Vegetables, preserved in liquid	89	5	145
Other Foodstuffs of Vegetable Origin	468	109	140
Total, Class II.	25,735	5,733	9,684
CLASS III.—SPIRITUOUS AND ALCOHOLIC LIQUORS.			
Ale, Beer, Porter, Cider and Perry	41	6	11
Spirits (Beverages)—			
Whisky	1,018	119	351
Other	185	15	64
Wine, Fermented	84	10	23
Total, Class III.	1,328	150	449

Value of Commodities, &c.—Imports—continued.
(£A'000 f.o.b. Port of Shipment).

Particulars.	Year Ended June, 1954.	September Quarter.	
		1953.	1954.
CLASS IV.—TOBACCO.			
Cigarettes	5,231	1,827	568
Cigars	101	19	21
Snuff	2	..	..
Tobacco—			
Manufactured	115	28	23
Unmanufactured	12,360	2,126	2,127
Total, Class IV.	17,809	4,000	2,739
CLASS V.—LIVE ANIMALS.			
	570	105	141
CLASS VI.—ANIMAL SUBSTANCES, NOT FOODSTUFFS.			
Coarse Hair and Fibre	734	143	131
Hides and Skins—			
Calf and Cattle	174	38	38
Furred Skins	545	83	152
Goat	214	40	116
Other	78	18	17
Shells	253	40	61
Silk, raw	73	22	13
Wool	2,178	414	482
Other Animal Substances	188	57	50
Total, Class VI.	4,437	855	1,060
CLASS VII.—VEGETABLE SUBSTANCES AND FIBRES ; CORK AND MANUFACTURES ; AND SYNTHETIC FIBRES.			
Copra	2,240	438	660
Cork and Manufactures	442	94	138
Fibres—			
Coir	303	87	60
Cotton, raw	8,154	1,750	2,679
Flax and Hemp	186	67	40
Jute	759	67	118
Kapok	380	124	121
Synthetic Fibres and Filaments	845	239	250
Other	1,738	370	418
Gums and Resins	1,135	265	377
Seeds—			
Gardening, Agricultural and Horticultural	903	217	361
Oil Seeds	358	64	77
Tanning Substances	574	119	142
Other Vegetable Substances	223	45	55
Total, Class VII.	18,240	3,946	5,496

Value of Commodities, &c.—Imports—continued.
(£A'000 f.o.b. Port of Shipment.)

Particulars.	Year Ended June, 1954.	September Quarter.	
		1953.	1954.
CLASS VIII.—YARNS AND MANUFACTURED FIBRES, TEXTILES AND APPAREL.			
(a) <i>Yarns and Manufactured Fibres—</i>			
Bags and Sacks—			
Corn and Flour	4,567	2,511	3,433
Woolpacks	1,414	353	579
Other	105	7	19
Cordage and Twines and Manufactures thereof	337	71	99
Sewing and Other Cotton	2,363	559	539
Yarns—			
Cotton	3,143	643	835
Hair	390	114	55
Synthetic Fibre	10,236	2,758	2,332
Woollen	221	31	55
Other	106	18	24
Total, Class VIII.(a)	22,882	7,065	7,970
(b) <i>Textiles—</i>			
Blankets and Blanketing	282	58	53
Floor Coverings	11,287	1,631	3,701
Articles of Furnishing, Drapery and napery—			
Handkerchiefs, Serviettes and Table- cloths	1,105	312	538
Other	517	105	180
Piece-goods—			
Canvas and Duck	1,263	352	327
Cotton and Linen	40,481	9,021	13,146
Fabrics and Felts, impregnated ..	883	198	275
Jute, including Hessians and Brattice Cloth	2,765	737	690
Synthetic Fibre	14,394	3,354	4,685
Silk	788	173	277
Velvets, Velveteens, &c.	1,336	134	221
Woollen	1,299	178	294
Felts	400	82	116
Other	1,027	210	265
Towels and Towelling	1,109	189	396
Other Textiles	587	110	183
Total, Class VIII.(b)	79,523	16,844	25,347
(c) <i>Apparel—</i>			
Buttons, including Snap Fasteners ..	379	81	82
Footwear	589	122	285
Garments—			
Knitted—			
Hosiery	925	128	239
Outerwear	232	26	88
Underwear	166	38	65
Other	227	17	25

Value of Commodities, &c.—Imports—continued.
(£A'000 f.o.b. Port of Shipment.)

Particulars.	Year Ended June, 1954.	September Quarter.	
		1953.	1954.
CLASS VIII.—YARNS AND MANUFACTURED FIBRES, TEXTILES AND APPAREL—continued.			
(c) Apparel—continued.			
Garments—continued.			
Not Knitted—			
Outerwear—			
Men's and Boys'	495	62	78
Women's and Girls'	313	40	75
Sleeping Wear, Underwear, Shirts and Other Sewn Garments	142	26	55
Gloves	1,464	308	467
Hats and Caps	972	191	280
Trimmings and Ornaments—			
Embroidery in the Piece	281	64	125
Lace, Nets and Veilings	2,747	603	809
Ribbons and Galloons	450	87	138
Other	1,077	205	310
Other Apparel	941	215	269
Total, Class VIII.(c)	11,400	2,213	3,390
Total, Class VIII.	113,805	26,122	36,707
CLASS IX.—OILS, FATS AND WAXES.			
Fats, Greases and Waxes	877	142	404
Oils—			
Castor	267	83	13
Linseed	1,585	358	524
Olive	719	138	201
Peanut (china)	264	90	113
Petroleum—			
Crude	10,327	2,075	6,156
Kerosene	6,941	1,932	2,213
Lubricating (mineral)	3,436	704	1,348
Residual and Solar	16,854	4,656	4,595
Spirit	39,938	10,043	8,953
Turpentine Substitutes	802	229	241
Other	420	111	159
Tung (china wood)	289	106	71
Other	703	146	432
Total, Class IX.	83,422	20,813	25,423
CLASS X.—PIGMENTS, PAINTS AND VARNISHES.			
Colour Pigments—			
Black	1,165	336	382
Titanium Oxide and Titanium White	1,340	143	200
Other	679	124	239
Dyes, natural and synthetic	1,634	318	405
Paints, Colours and Varnishes	246	53	67
Total, Class X.	5,064	974	1,293

Value of Commodities, &c.—Imports—continued.
(£A'000 f.o.b. Port of Shipment.)

Particulars.	Year Ended June, 1954.	September Quarter.	
		1953.	1954.
CLASS XI.—ROCKS, MINERALS AND HYDROCARBONS.			
Abrasives (natural)	293	78	132
Asbestos	1,989	423	712
Sulphur	2,644	628	633
Other Rocks, Minerals, &c.	1,105	257	451
Total, Class XI.	6,031	1,386	1,928
CLASS XII.—METALS, METAL MANUFACTURES AND MACHINERY.			
(a) <i>Metals and Metal Manufactures—</i>			
Aluminium and Aluminium-base Alloys (excluding Wire and Cable)	2,733	771	738
Bolts, Nuts, Rivets and Washers	586	154	166
Chain and Chains of Base Metal	576	133	160
Copper and Copper-base Alloys (excluding Wire and Cable)	2,152	197	1,406
Cutlery	2,306	505	668
Fencing Posts and Droppers	503	9	251
Heating and Cooking Appliances	1,238	271	306
Iron and Steel (including Special Ferro-alloys)—			
Bars, Rods, Hoop, Ingots, &c.	2,418	331	1,379
Ferro-Alloys (mainly in lump form)	471	113	144
Pig, Scrap and Powder	10	2	3
Pipes, Tubes and Fittings therefor	2,862	574	739
Plate and Sheet—			
Galvanized	1,894	283	1,747
Plain	3,438	581	1,870
Tinned, plated, polished and decorated	8,154	1,302	2,870
Structural	1,218	236	598
Kitchenware	356	63	113
Lamps and Lampware	382	87	122
Leaf and Foil	833	147	200
Meters and Parts	2,924	721	684
Pins, Hooks, Eyes, Needles and Slide Fasteners	269	61	83
Tin	609	167	57
Tools of Trade	3,480	772	1,131
Vehicles—			
Aircraft and Parts	5,598	1,590	1,162
Cycles and Cycle Parts	602	133	166
Motor Cycles, Side-cars, &c.	1,326	250	402
Motor Vehicles—			
Bodies and Parts	9,043	1,890	2,796
Chassis and Parts	43,599	10,075	14,051
Railway and Tramway Vehicles (including Trolley Buses) and Parts	3,791	1,106	459
Other and Parts	7,471	1,824	2,330
Wire, Single Strand—			
Iron and Steel	520	56	386
Copper and Copper-base Alloys	329	73	72
Other	288	72	69
Wire Manufactures*			
Aluminium and Aluminium-base Alloy electrical conductor	768	354	74
Iron and Steel	1,345	262	393
Other	60	25	7
Other Metals and Semi-Manufactures†	1,624	320	389
Other Metal Manufactures	10,203	2,131	2,568
Total, Class XII.(a)	125,979	27,641	40,759

* For cable and wire, covered, see Class XII.(b).

† Includes all basic shapes, castings and forgings in the rough and pipes and tubes flexible or coated.

Value of Commodities, &c.—Imports—continued.
(£A'000 f.o.b. Port of Shipment.)

Particulars.	Year Ended June, 1954.	September Quarter.	
		1953.	1954.
CLASS XII.—METALS, METAL MANUFACTURES AND MACHINERY—continued.			
<i>(b) Dynamo Electrical Machinery and Electrical Appliances and Equipment—</i>			
Batteries and Accumulators	424	99	85
Cable and Wire, Covered	1,893	699	591
Communication Equipment, including			
Radio	2,432	664	1,106
Dynamo Electrical Machines—			
Electrical Motors	2,910	619	749
Other	3,945	1,276	1,222
Heating and Cooking Appliances	549	75	267
Ignition Equipment for Internal Com- bustion engines—			
Sparkling Plugs and Parts	536	100	171
Other	278	65	81
Lamps, Bulbs, Tubes, &c.	1,166	259	409
Measuring and Recording Instruments ..	465	126	206
Protective Equipment	542	123	183
Regulating, Starting and Controlling Ap- paratus	4,473	1,017	1,150
Transformers and Rectifiers	4,348	1,045	612
Other Electrical Machinery and Appliances	2,157	403	717
Total, Class XII.(b)	26,118	6,570	7,549
<i>(c) Machines and Machinery (except Dynamo Electrical)—</i>			
Air and Gas Compressors	863	249	292
Agricultural, Horticultural, &c., Ma- chinery—			
Harvesting	1,245	531	1,269
Other	3,081	1,187	603
Cranes, Hoists and Other Lifting Machinery	1,543	388	331
Dairying Machinery	647	177	180
Electrical Power Station Machinery ..	1,514	815	128
Hand Tools (power driven)	1,586	299	462
Household Machines (except Sewing and Refrigerating)—			
Vacuum Cleaners	406	60	202
Washing Machines	1,046	78	335
Other	707	140	182
Metal-working Machinery—			
Machine Tools	4,806	1,415	1,246
Other	3,397	854	676
Motive Power (including Electrical) Ma- chinery—			
Aircraft Engines and Parts	4,825	855	1,376
Power Boilers and Parts	2,207	617	170
Tractors and Parts	17,793	4,286	5,554
Turbines and Parts	2,519	731	488
Other and Parts	13,718	2,548	3,493
Office and Accounting Machines	4,512	901	1,231
Oil Refining Machinery	2,144	799	393
Printing Machinery	1,888	318	553
Pumps	1,031	221	248
Refrigerating Appliances	1,285	199	350

Value of Commodities, &c.—Imports—continued.
(£A'000 f.o.b. Port of Shipment.)

Particulars.	Year Ended June, 1954.	September Quarter.	
		1953.	1954.
CLASS XII.—METALS, METAL MANUFACTURES AND MACHINERY—continued.			
(c) <i>Machines and Machinery (except Dynamo Electrical)</i> —continued.			
Roller and Ball Bearings	2,466	596	565
Sewing Machines	3,001	618	851
Stone-cutting, Road-making and Mining Machinery	5,171	1,274	2,255
Textile-working Machinery and Appliances—			
Knitting Machines	1,578	282	355
Other	2,350	550	817
Other Machines and Machinery ..	12,676	3,244	3,339
Total, Class XII.(c)	100,005	24,232	27,944
Total, Class XII.	252,102	58,443	76,252
CLASS XIII.—RUBBER AND LEATHER AND MANUFACTURES THEREOF.			
(a) <i>Rubber and Rubber Manufactures</i> —			
Rubber—			
Crude, Waste and Masticated	8,373	2,191	2,313
Substitutes	164	40	57
Rubber Manufactures—			
Elastics and Rubber Thread	1,109	236	382
Tyres and Tubes	1,413	259	607
Other	768	155	243
Total, Class XIII.(a)	11,827	2,881	3,602
(b) <i>Leather and Leather Manufactures</i> —			
Leather	346	83	97
Leather Manufactures	217	51	89
Total, Class XIII.(b)	563	134	186
Total, Class XIII.	12,390	3,015	3,788
CLASS XIV.—WOOD AND WICKER.			
Manufactures of Wood and Wicker, including Plywood and Veneers	1,059	188	302
Timber—			
Dressed, bent or cut into shape	1,046	247	420
Undressed (including Logs)	9,540	2,009	2,561
Wicker, Bamboo and Cane	230	66	48
Total, Class XIV.	11,875	2,510	3,331
CLASS XV.—EARTHENWARE, CEMENT, CHINA, GLASS AND STONEWARE.			
Abrasives (Synthetic)	879	140	225
Cement	594	220	183
Crockery and Other Householdware	4,299	741	1,464
Glass	3,162	764	1,157
Glassware	1,563	308	574
Porcelain for Electrical Purposes	258	75	67
Tiles	988	170	313
Other Earthenware, China, &c.	358	79	60
Total, Class XV.	12,101	2,497	4,043

Value of Commodities, &c.—Imports—continued.
(£A'000 f.o.b. Port of Shipment.)

Particulars.	Year Ended June, 1954.	September Quarter.	
		1953.	1954.
CLASS XVI.—PAPER AND STATIONERY.			
a) Pulp, Paper and Board—			
Millboard and Other Boards	1,137	219	448
Paper—			
Printings—			
Newsprint	9,500	2,635	2,886
Other	3,604	756	1,123
Tissue and Tissue Cap (including Cigarette)	1,546	407	579
Wrapping and Bag Papers	3,088	617	981
Writing and Typewriting	1,452	389	347
Other	1,295	268	477
Pulp for Manufacturing Paper	3,410	730	1,290
Total, Class XVI.(a)	25,032	6,021	8,131
Paper Manufactures and Stationery—			
Books (printed), Directories, &c. ..	5,695	1,660	1,614
Pens and Pencils—			
Fountain Pens and Propelling Pencils ..	1,020	205	283
Other	284	42	84
Other Paper Manufactures, Stationery, &c.	2,065	425	816
Total, Class XVI.(b)	9,064	2,332	2,797
Total, Class XVI.	34,096	8,353	10,928
CLASS XVII.—SPORTING MATERIAL, TOYS, FANCY GOODS, JEWELLERY AND TIMEPIECES.			
Fancy Goods	1,075	182	470
Jewellery, including Imitation Jewellery ..	1,179	173	497
Precious Stones, Unset	1,094	172	224
Sporting Material	392	82	172
Timepieces—			
Clocks and Clock Movements	891	149	391
Watches and Watch Movements	1,560	345	470
Toys	1,497	397	840
Total, Class XVII.	7,688	1,500	3,064
CLASS XVIII.—OPTICAL, SURGICAL AND SCIENTIFIC INSTRUMENTS AND APPLIANCES AND PHOTO- GRAPHIC GOODS, N.E.I.			
Cameras and Magic Lanterns and Accessories therefor	1,099	130	401
Cinematographs	386	57	140
Films for Cinematographs	1,663	393	419
Photographic Goods	403	69	134
Instruments and Materials—			
Optical and Ophthalmic	1,102	176	424
Surgical and Dental	1,861	405	537
Other Scientific Instruments and Appliances ..	2,047	450	634
Total, Class XVIII.	8,561	1,680	2,689

Value of Commodities, &c.—Imports—continued.
(£A'000 f.o.b. Port of Shipment.)

Particulars.	Year Ended June, 1954.	September Quarter.	
		1953.	1954.
*CLASS XIX.—CHEMICALS, MEDICINAL AND PHAR- MACEUTICAL PRODUCTS, ESSENTIAL OILS AND FERTILIZERS.			
Acids	497	102	314
Alcohols and Spirits	(a)	(a)	23
Drugs and Medicinal Preparations—			
Antibiotics	(a)	(a)	435
Vitamin and Vitamin Preparations	(a)	(a)	143
Other	(a)	(a)	1,054
Essential Oils	425	115	143
Fertilizers—			
Potash Salts	} 3,405	668	217
Rock Phosphates			610
Other			506
Perfumery and Toilet Preparations	442	102	187
Soap and Soap Substitutes	385	82	122
Sodium Cyanide	(a)	(a)	59
Tetraethyl Lead	(a)	(a)	132
Inorganic Compounds, n.e.i.	(a)	(a)	879
Organic Compounds, n.e.i.	(a)	(a)	1,417
Chemical Materials and Products, n.e.i.	(a)	(a)	209
Total, Class XIX.	19,814	4,035	6,664
*CLASS XX.—MISCELLANEOUS.			
Antiques, Paintings, Works of Art	239	40	114
Arms, Ammunition and Explosives	1,284	172	598
Bags, Baskets, Purses, Wallets, &c.	581	120	301
Brushware	288	53	105
Military, Naval and Air Force, Stores and Equip- ment	3,410	892	621
Musical Instruments and Parts—			
Gramophones, &c., including Records	1,079	220	255
Other	459	69	171
Outside Packages	12,918	3,040	3,895
Packings for Engines, Boilers, &c.	932	219	332
Passengers' Effects	2,503	763	618
Piece-goods manufactured from Synthetic Resins	401	91	119
Prefabricated Buildings	4,476	2,223	484
Synthetic Resins	4,984	1,194	1,214
Vessels (Ships)	1,823	201	41
Wall and Ceiling Boards, Parts and Decorations	460	80	176
All Other Articles	1,762	362	867
Total, Class XX.	37,599	9,739	9,911
Total, Merchandise	678,520	157,362	207,333
*CLASS XXI.—GOLD AND SILVER ; BRONZE SPECIE.			
Gold, including Gold in Matte	2,959	551	496
Silver, including Silver in Matte	60	17	9
Total, Class XXI.	3,019	568	505

(a) Not available separately.

Value of Commodities, &c.—Imports—continued.
(£A'000 f.o.b. Port of Shipment.)

Particulars.	Year Ended June, 1954.	September Quarter.	
		1953.	1954.
SUMMARY.			
Importing States—			
New South Wales	280,537	62,932	80,621
Victoria	237,683	55,356	74,006
Queensland	55,631	13,345	19,050
South Australia	51,472	12,789	17,171
Western Australia	42,525	10,147	12,907
Tasmania	13,049	3,103	3,895
Northern Territory	642	258	188
GRAND TOTAL	681,539	157,930	207,838

EXPORTS.

(£A'000 f.o.b. Port of Shipment.)

CLASS I.—FOODSTUFFS OF ANIMAL ORIGIN.			
Butter	16,053	2,016	1,870
Cheese	5,330	538	549
Eggs	8,650	1,753	1,222
Fish, Fresh or Preserved by Cold Process	1,569	95	122
Ghee	508	104	84
Honey	634	177	165
Infants' and Invalids' Foods	1,738	522	410
Margarine	76	42	8
Meats—			
Bacon and Hams	619	197	115
Potted or Concentrated, including Meat Extracts	858	334	327
Preserved by Cold Process—			
Beef and Veal	22,023	9,953	7,034
Lamb	3,298	114	808
Mutton	1,964	381	264
Offals	1,795	593	516
Pork	462	166	302
Poultry	676	295	290
Rabbit and Hare	2,380	1,110	563
Preserved in Airtight Vessels	21,847	5,952	7,218
Sausage Casings	1,420	278	384
Other	445	124	204
Milk and Cream—			
Preserved, Condensed, Concentrated	5,176	915	439
Dried, including Malted	4,501	688	952
Other Foodstuffs of Animal Origin	638	137	125
Total, Class I.	102,660	26,484	23,971
CLASS II.—FOODSTUFFS OF VEGETABLE ORIGIN;			
NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES.			
Biscuits, Cakes and Puddings	403	133	104
Confectionery, Cocoa and Chocolate	344	147	77
Food for Animals	1,298	554	140
Fruit Juices, Syrups and Substitutes	1,119	253	288

Value of Commodities, &c.—Exports—continued.
(£A'000 f.o.b. Port of Shipment.)

Particulars.	Year Ended June, 1954.	September Quarter.	
		1953.	1954.
CLASS II.—FOODSTUFFS OF VEGETABLE ORIGIN ;			
NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES—continued.			
Fruit—			
Dried—			
Currants	1,039	431	427
Raisins	5,561	2,696	2,607
Other	795	92	349
Fresh—			
Apples	6,089	297	243
Citrus	809	308	321
Other	2,393	44	16
Frozen	93	81	..
Preserved in Airtight Containers	14,186	2,432	4,953
Pulped	1,441	129	92
Grain and Pulse—			
Prepared—			
Breakfast Foods	502	274	83
Flour (Wheaten)—			
Plain White	29,682	10,437	4,199
Other	920	198	232
Rice	3,192	910	734
Other	1,089	231	261
Unprepared—			
Barley	14,870	3,960	2,813
Maize	353	245	2
Oats	1,219	372	215
Peas (not split)	695	142	53
Sorghum	876	864	83
Wheat	30,957	12,820	8,392
Other	554	235	197
Jams and Fruit Jellies	372	146	135
Soups	642	86	98
Sugar (cane)	31,592	8,803	11,043
Tea	216	46	73
Vegetables—			
Preserved in Liquid or Pulped	588	101	69
Other	526	137	138
Other Foodstuffs of Vegetable Origin	523	128	107
Total, Class II.	154,938	47,732	38,544
CLASS III.—SPIRITUOUS AND ALCOHOLIC LIQUORS.			
Ale, Beer, Cider, &c.	455	110	122
Spirits (Beverages)	299	70	70
Wine	903	314	195
Total, Class III.	1,657	494	387
CLASS IV.—TOBACCO.			
Cigarettes, Cigars and Snuff.	77	20	20
Tobacco	204	53	63
Total, Class IV.	281	73	83
CLASS V.—LIVE ANIMALS.			
Cattle	95	14	91
Horses	184	78	58
Sheep	304	82	63
Other Live Animals	117	19	22
Total, Class V.	700	193	234

Value of Commodities, &c.—Exports—continued.
(£A'000 f.o.b. Port of Shipment.)

Particulars.	Year Ended June, 1954.	September Quarter.	
		1953.	1954.
CLASS VI.—ANIMAL SUBSTANCES, NOT FOODSTUFFS.			
Hides and Skins—			
Calf, Cattle and Horse	1,562	471	424
Kangaroo and Wallaby	202	56	57
Opossum	104	33	1
Rabbit and Hare	849	458	270
Sheep and Lamb	16,439	4,122	4,313
Other (including Sheep and Lamb-skin Pieces)	285	77	72
Pearl-shell	654	202	266
Trochus-shell	592	140	176
Wool—			
Greasy	364,977	55,198	41,485
Scoured and Washed, Slipe, Carbonized, Tops, Noils and Waste	45,446	13,031	9,801
Other Animal Substances	499	134	124
Total, Class VI.	431,609	73,922	56,989
CLASS VII.—VEGETABLE SUBSTANCES AND FIBRES; CORK AND MANUFACTURES; AND SYNTHETIC FIBRES.			
Seeds	511	229	235
Tanning Substances	550	88	46
Other Vegetable Substances	223	63	55
Total, Class VII.	1,284	380	336
CLASS VIII.—YARNS AND MANUFACTURED FIBRES, TEXTILES AND APPAREL.			
(a) Yarns and Manufactured Fibres—			
Yarns—			
Woollen	123	39	22
Other	153	15	40
Other Manufactured Fibres	168	52	36
Total, Class VIII.(a)	444	106	98
(b) Textiles—			
Blankets and Blanketing	22	6	3
Piece-goods—			
Cotton	181	61	51
Wholly or Chiefly of Rayon or Other Synthetic Fibres	148	36	110
Woollen	171	47	27
Other	65	17	19
Other Textiles	765	179	215
* Total, Class VIII.(b)	1,352	346	425
(c) Apparel—			
Footwear	81	28	21
Outerwear	115	28	46
Underwear and Sleeping Attire	73	21	29
Other Apparel	203	45	44
Total, Class VIII.(c)	472	122	140
Total, Class VIII.	2,268	574	663

Value of Commodities, &c.—Exports—continued.
(£A'000 f.o.b. Port of Shipment.)

Particulars.	Year Ended June, 1954.	September Quarter.	
		1953.	1954.
CLASS IX.—OILS, FATS AND WAXES.			
Fats and Waxes, &c.—			
Edible Animal Fats, excluding Tallow	85	17	50
Fatty Acids	230	72	21
Tallow, Edible and Inedible	2,791	726	331
Other	170	29	47
Oils—			
Petroleum and Shale Oils	672	149	470
Other	1,741	476	658
Total, Class IX.	5,689	1,469	1,577
CLASS X.—PIGMENTS, PAINTS AND VARNISHES.			
Lead Oxides	271	74	72
Paints and Enamels prepared for use	293	81	114
Other Pigments, Paints and Varnishes	282	74	102
Total, Class X.	846	229	288
CLASS XI.—ROCKS, MINERALS AND HYDROCARBONS.			
Asbestos, Crude and Fibre	376	42	66
Asphalt, Tar and Pitch	245	95	56
Coal	1,529	496	369
Coke	240	57	33
Ores and Concentrates, including Residues and Wastes—			
Lead and Silver-Lead	4,270	853	829
Titanium and Zirconium	1,645	482	758
Tungsten	2,953	859	752
Zinc	3,411	678	1,052
Other	1,257	350	383
Other Stones and Minerals	310	74	116
Total, Class XI.	16,236	3,986	4,414
CLASS XII.—METALS, METAL MANUFACTURES AND MACHINERY.			
(a) Metals and Metal Manufactures—			
Metals and Semi-Manufactures—			
Cadmium	460	166	81
Copper	4,293	2,016	674
Copper-base Alloys	842	273	172
Iron and Steel	13,425	5,930	2,110
Lead—			
Bullion and Silver-Lead Bullion	4,393	1,331	1,985
Pig	18,550	5,719	4,441
Other	1,104	287	262
Zinc	4,127	923	1,094
Other Metals and Semi-Manufactures of Metal	1,258	360	102
Metal Manufactures—			
Builders' and Engineering Hardware	472	148	129
Tools of Trade	430	89	110
Vehicles and Parts	2,883	660	793
Other Metal Manufactures	2,977	762	849
Total, Class XII.(a)	55,214	18,664	12,802

Value of Commodities, &c.—Exports—*continued*.
(£A'000 f.o.b. Port of Shipment.)

Particulars.	Year Ended June, 1954.	September Quarter.	
		1953.	1954.
CLASS XII.—METALS, METAL MANUFACTURES AND MACHINERY—continued.			
(b) <i>Dynamo Electrical Machinery and Appliances and Equipment—</i>			
Batteries and Accumulators	432	109	111
Communication Equipment	554	134	217
Other Electrical Appliances	974	278	391
Total, Class XII.(b)	1,960	521	719
(c) <i>Machines and Machinery (except Dynamo Electrical)—</i>			
Aircraft Engines and Parts	1,101	242	266
Agricultural, Horticultural &c., Machinery	1,367	334	398
Mining and Metallurgical Machinery and Appliances	662	217	112
Motive Power Machinery	1,228	426	326
Refrigerating Appliances	415	145	126
Other Machines and Machinery	4,181	1,001	1,249
Total, Class XII.(c)	8,954	2,365	2,477
Total, Class XII.	66,128	21,550	15,998
CLASS XIII.—RUBBER AND LEATHER AND MANU- FACTURES THEREOF.			
(a) <i>Rubber and Rubber Manufactures</i>	578	130	192
(b) <i>Leather and Leather Manufactures— Leather—</i>			
Hide Leathers—			
Sole	770	156	147
Other	1,292	348	355
Sheep and Lamb	244	93	55
Other	241	84	32
Leather Manufactures	124	31	37
Total, Class XIII.(b)	2,671	712	626
Total, Class XIII.	3,249	842	818
CLASS XIV.—WOOD AND WICKER.			
Sleepers, Railway	921	212	52
Timber	2,032	662	396
Wood and Wicker Manufactures	330	97	117
Total, Class XIV.	3,283	971	565
CLASS XV.—EARTHENWARE, CEMENT, CHINA, GLASS AND STONEWARE			
	1,008	197	489

Value of Commodities, &c.—Exports—continued.
(£A'000 f.o.b. Port of Shipment.)

Particulars.	Year Ended June, 1954.	September Quarter.	
		1953.	1954.
CLASS XVI.—PAPER AND STATIONERY.			
(a) <i>Pulp, Paper and Board</i>	307	110	120
(b) <i>Paper Manufactures and Stationery—</i> Books (printed), Periodicals, Newspapers, &c.	1,271	307	340
Paper Manufactures and Stationery	591	154	252
Total, Class XVI.(b)	1,862	461	592
Total, Class XVI.	2,169	571	712
CLASS XVII.—SPORTING MATERIAL, TOYS, FANCY GOODS, JEWELLERY AND TIMEPIECES.			
Precious Stones, Unset—Pearls, &c.	167	40	46
Sporting Goods	200	62	85
Other	191	54	46
Total, Class XVII.	558	156	177
CLASS XVIII.—OPTICAL, SURGICAL AND SCIENTIFIC INSTRUMENTS AND APPLIANCES AND PHOTO- GRAPHIC GOODS, N.E.I.			
Films for Cinematographs, &c.	349	83	84
Photographic Goods and Materials	482	153	169
Other Optical, Surgical and Scientific Instruments and Materials	860	192	152
Total, Class XVIII.	1,691	428	405
CLASS XIX.—CHEMICALS, MEDICINAL AND PHAR- MACEUTICAL PRODUCTS, ESSENTIAL OILS AND FERTILIZERS.			
Acids	(a)	(a)	34
Drugs and Medicinal Preparations—			
Acetylsalicylic Acid	(a)	(a)	42
Other	(a)	(a)	358
Eucalyptus Oil	164	36	34
Perfumery and Toilet Preparations	194	45	51
Soap	282	112	71
Other Chemicals, Elements and Compounds—			
Organic	(a)	(a)	247
Inorganic	(a)	(a)	120
Miscellaneous Chemical Preparations (including Fertilizers)	(a)	(a)	195
Total, Class XIX.	4,077	1,081	1,152
CLASS XX.—MISCELLANEOUS.			
Arms, Ammunition and Explosives	1,020	207	61
Military, Naval and Air Force Stores and Equipment	3,320	984	695
Synthetic Resins	436	84	150
Vessels (Ships) transferred abroad	421	55	98
All Other Articles	6,303	1,435	2,119
Total, Class XX.	11,500	2,765	3,123
Total, Merchandise	811,831	184,097	150,925

(a) Not available separately.

Value of Commodities, &c.—Exports—continued.
(£A'000 f.o.b. Port of Shipment.)

Particulars.	Year Ended June, 1954.	September Quarter.	
		1953.	1954.
CLASS XXI.—GOLD AND SILVER ; BRONZE SPECIE.			
Bronze Specie	1	..	..
Gold, including Gold in Matte	13,769	6,549	1,217
Silver, including Silver in Matte	2,696	566	584
Total, Class XXI.	16,466	7,115	1,801
SUMMARY.			
States of Final Shipment—			
New South Wales	263,175	57,743	42,736
Victoria	203,581	36,146	34,009
Queensland	165,105	50,498	42,306
South Australia	110,249	32,640	20,526
Western Australia	68,424	12,340	10,814
Tasmania	17,733	1,843	2,334
Northern Territory	30	2	1
Australian Produce	820,022	189,308	150,329
Re-exports	8,275	1,904	2,397
GRAND TOTAL	828,297	191,212	152,726

**TOTAL QUANTITIES OF PRINCIPAL COMMODITIES EXPORTED FROM
AUSTRALIA.**

Particulars.	Unit of Quantity.	Year ended June.		September Quarter.	
		1953.	1954.	1953.	1954.
CLASS I.—FOODSTUFFS OF ANIMAL ORIGIN.					
Butter	'000 lb.	110,520	88,035	10,837	9,725
Cheese	"	53,007	50,966	3,856	4,522
Processed Milk—					
Condensed	"	89,588	60,728	10,746	5,124
Dried	"	60,739	56,482	6,544	8,226
Infants' and Invalids' Foods	"	8,875	9,473	2,054	2,210
Eggs—					
In Shell	'000 doz.	20,911	12,902	6,618	6,537
Not in Shell	'000 lb.	24,047	37,879	1,976	357
Meats, Poultry and Game—					
Bacon and Hams	cwt.	30,299	24,801	8,589	4,748
Preserved by Cold Process—					
Beef and Veal	'000 cwt.	1,953	2,827	1,342	855
Lamb	cwt	772,056	366,981	10,522	77,332
Mutton	"	721,195	496,335	86,618	51,931
Pork	"	30,831	24,628	9,564	23,174
Poultry	'000 prs.	989	308	107	91
Rabbits and Hares	"	10,784	8,439	3,932	1,942
Preserved in Airtight Vessels	cwt.	1,932,266	1,306,671	348,134	394,698
Sausage Casings	"	29,061	28,808	5,568	7,005

Total Quantities of Principal Commodities Exported from Australia—continued.

Particulars.	Unit of Quantity.	Year ended June.		September Quarter.	
		1953.	1954.	1953.	1954.
CLASS II.—FOODSTUFFS OF VEGETABLE ORIGIN.					
Fruits—					
Dried—					
Currants	'000 lb.	23,267	24,031	9,746	8,748
Raisins	"	131,905	115,792	57,127	54,453
Tree Fruits	"	6,709	6,481	713	2,978
Fresh—					
Apples	'000 bus.	4,696	4,728	156	193
Citrus	"	435	553	209	217
Other	"	1,028	1,285	9	6
Preserved in airtight containers ..	'000 lb.	143,309	199,242	36,436	67,582
Pulped	"	11,650	13,005	2,219	1,660
Grain or Cereals—					
Prepared—					
Barley—Pearl and Scotch ..	"	204	453	50	48
White Flour—Plain ..	"	1,739,240	1,522,536	492,150	256,235
Oatmeal and Rolled Oats ..	"	34,687	18,991	16,624	2,205
Rice	cwt.	477,637	709,148	205,926	210,135
Unprepared—					
Barley	ton	496,403	601,536	103,076	138,510
Oats	"	213,004	58,490	17,600	10,046
Wheat	"	1,593,963	965,338	371,099	312,562
Jams and Fruit Jellies	'000 lb.	10,736	6,315	2,425	2,578
Sugar (Cane)	ton	459,370	706,801	194,785	260,304
Vegetables—Preserved or Pulped ..	'000 lb.	7,910	9,101	1,515	1,159
CLASS III.—SPIRITUOUS LIQUORS.					
Wine	'000 gal.	1,167	1,395	491	289
CLASS VI.—ANIMAL SUBSTANCES NOT FOODSTUFFS.					
Hides and Skins—					
Calf, Cattle and Horse ..	'000 lb.	16,187	21,134	5,862	6,359
Kangaroo and Wallaby ..	"	638	624	153	157
Rabbit and Hare	"	6,338	4,325	2,063	1,228
Sheep	'000	18,379	16,130	2,967	3,003
Wool—					
Greasy	'000 lb.	981,493	990,008	149,521	121,784
Scoured and Washed, Slips, Carbonized, Tops, Noils and Waste	"	107,544	96,436	25,505	21,910
CLASS IX.—OILS, FATS AND WAXES.					
Tallow, edible and inedible ..	ton	25,402	47,340	14,040	3,877
CLASS XI.—STONES AND MINERALS.					
Coal	ton	255,832	385,812	125,640	102,885
Ores and Concentrates—					
Lead and Silver-lead	"	41,221	72,390	16,346	14,293
Zinc	"	244,816	266,395	48,629	82,557
CLASS XII.—METALS.					
Lead, Pig	ton	142,038	170,211	51,131	38,611
Zinc, Bars, Blocks, &c.	"	48,197	42,150	10,147	10,146

PRINCIPAL AGRICULTURAL, PASTORAL AND DAIRY PRODUCE OF AUSTRALIAN ORIGIN EXPORTED FROM AUSTRALIA.

Year.	Butter.	Cheese.	Meats.			
			Bacon and Hams.	Beef and Veal.(a)	Mutton and Lamb.(a)	Pork.(a)
QUANTITY.						
	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	cwt.	cwt.	cwt.	cwt.
1938-39 ..	229,543	35,924	15,527	2,428,248	1,665,076	274,254
1950-51 ..	120,031	44,790	48,393	1,413,480	483,111	111,356
1951-52 ..	25,417	40,316	45,328	856,035	278,150	34,802
1952-53 ..	110,428	53,006	30,299	1,718,751	1,489,679	30,831
1953-54 ..	88,030	50,959	24,801	2,826,856	890,102	24,628
Three months ended—						
Sept., 1953	10,837	3,856	8,589	1,342,319	97,140	9,564
Sept., 1954	9,725	4,522	4,748	854,917	129,263	23,174

VALUE.						
(£A'000 f.o.b. Port of Shipment.)						
1938-39 ..	12,892	1,074	120	4,324	4,807	882
1950-51 ..	18,469	4,025	822	6,648	2,684	1,051
1951-52 ..	4,593	4,064	934	5,230	1,918	485
1952-53 ..	20,075	5,851	720	13,782	8,761	472
1953-54 ..	16,052	5,329	619	22,023	5,261	462
Three months ended—						
Sept., 1953	2,016	538	197	9,953	495	166
Sept., 1954	1,870	549	115	7,034	1,072	302

(a) Preserved by cold process.

Year.	Fruits, Dried.		Fruits, Preserved in airtight containers.	Wheat.	Flour.	Wool.	
	Vine.	Tree.				Greasy.	Scoured. (a)
QUANTITY.							
	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	tons.	'000 lb.	'000 lb.	'000 lb.
1938-39.. ..	164,213	3,915	81,279	1,690,974	1,450,130	793,384	70,881
1950-51.. ..	76,950	24,136	97,662	2,324,516	1,766,020	907,431	127,601
1951-52.. ..	84,386	13,701	110,348	1,685,382	1,578,033	823,963	97,775
1952-53.. ..	155,172	6,709	143,261	1,593,963	1,739,240	981,493	107,533
1953-54.. ..	139,822	6,481	199,220	965,338	1,522,536	990,008	96,418
Three months ended—							
Sept., 1953 ..	66,873	713	36,421	371,099	492,150	149,521	25,490
Sept., 1954 ..	63,201	2,905	67,582	312,562	256,168	121,784	21,910

VALUE.							
(£A'000 f.o.b. Port of Shipment.)							
1938-39 ..	2,747	118	1,267	8,735	4,540	37,305	5,324
1950-51 ..	3,303	1,359	4,966	74,151	32,894	548,891	84,407
1951-52 ..	4,608	1,053	6,500	55,287	33,018	278,481	44,948
1952-53 ..	7,448	581	9,298	51,970	37,417	356,223	46,681
1953-54 ..	6,600	793	14,184	30,957	29,682	364,977	45,443
Three months ended—							
Sept., 1953 ..	3,127	91	2,431	12,820	10,437	55,198	13,029
Sept., 1954 ..	3,034	347	4,953	8,392	4,198	41,485	9,802

(a) Includes scoured and washed, carbonized, tops, noils, waste and slipe.

PRINCIPAL AGRICULTURAL, PASTORAL AND DAIRY PRODUCE OF AUSTRALIAN ORIGIN EXPORTED TO VARIOUS COUNTRIES.

Country of Destination and State of Final Shipment.	September Quarter.							
	1953.		1954.		1953.		1954.	
	'000 lb.	£A'000.	'000 lb.	£A'000.	'000 lb.	£A'000.	'000 lb.	£A'000.
	BUTTER.				CHEESE.			
United Kingdom ..	6,474	1,116	4,817	815	1,018	94	2,288	197
Australian Territories ..	119	25	145	30	35	6	28	5
Ceylon ..	740	143	545	110	118	20	65	10
Guiana (British) ..	58	12	67	16	3	1	10	2
Hong Kong ..	464	92	394	77	119	16	104	14
India ..	108	25	84	19	232	39	222	39
Malaya, Fed. of ..	151	36	270	62	27	4	54	8
Malta ..	159	21	198	38	80	10	41	4
Mauritius ..	81	21	125	30	31	5	68	12
Singapore ..	420	74	448	95	182	25	205	29
West Africa ..	70	17	72	17	95	16	76	13
West Indies—								
Barbados ..	24	4	71	14	..	..	10	2
Trinidad and Tobago ..	180	37	345	67	13	2	28	5
Windward Is. ..	37	9	44	10	5	1	3	1
Other ..	12	3	76	16	42	6	76	12
Other British Countries ..	298	66	338	75	165	31	132	26
Arabian States ..	117	28	141	32	214	38	168	31
Burma ..	81	21	168	41	25	5	32	6
Egypt ..	253	51	315	62	274	32	339	38
France ..	5	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
French Possessions—								
New Caledonia ..	104	22	125	26	36	7	37	7
Other ..	18	4	82	20	3	1	1	..
Germany, Fed. Rep. of ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Israel ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Italy ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Japan ..	534	109	273	58	666	100	50	7
Lebanon ..	31	6	59	12	16	2	..	..
Netherlands Antilles ..	54	15	148	35	..	..	3	..
Philippines ..	131	29	153	41	308	52	292	48
U.S.S.R. ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Other Foreign Countries ..	114	29	222	52	149	25	190	33
New South Wales ..	664	127	451	92	127	21	74	13
Victoria ..	4,811	902	5,833	1,127	2,284	368	2,428	346
Queensland ..	5,050	937	2,170	425	1,257	135	276	42
South Australia ..	203	31	477	82	188	14	1,743	148
Western Australia ..	34	6	4	1	..	..	1	..
Tasmania ..	75	13	790	143	..	..	..	..
Total ..	10,837	2,016	9,725	1,870	3,856	538	4,522	549
	cwt.	£A'000.	cwt.	£A'000.	cwt.	£A'000.	cwt.	£A'000.
—	BACON AND HAMS.				BEEF AND VEAL. (Preserved by Cold Process.)			
United Kingdom ..	66	1	..	..	1,249,741	9,059	699,127	5,543
Bermuda ..	..	..	..	..	2,673	41	2,784	46
Ceylon ..	520	12	255	6	824	9	11	..
Hong Kong ..	618	14	268	5	13,029	106	23,053	196
Malta ..	..	..	..	..	6,495	57	6,418	61
Singapore ..	3,509	82	2,249	51	19,877	174	27,415	261
West Indies (British) ..	56	1	185	6	4,335	50	4,091	44
Other British Countries ..	1,128	30	570	16	11,794	138	15,000	156
Arabian States—								
Saudi Arabia ..	..	..	9	..	1,841	36	665	14
Other ..	376	10	86	2	1,530	23	1,539	29
Egypt ..	1,893	37	710	19	25,722	209	25,088	206
United States of America ..	..	..	4	..	103	1	850	7
Other Foreign Countries ..	423	10	412	10	4,355	50	48,876	471
New South Wales ..	2,686	54	1,793	44	204,259	1,510	41,258	382
Victoria ..	80	2	24	..	23,224	181	10,246	92
Queensland ..	2,789	73	1,401	37	1,047,306	7,784	796,358	6,502
South Australia ..	618	16	138	3	8,853	55	58	1
Western Australia ..	2,416	52	1,392	31	58,677	423	6,997	57
Total ..	8,589	197	4,748	115	1,342,319	9,953	854,917	7,034

NOTE.—Values in Australian currency, f.o.b. port of shipment.

Principal Agricultural, Pastoral and Dairy Produce of Australian Origin Exported to Various Countries—continued.

Country of Destination and State of Final Shipment.	September Quarter.							
	1953.		1954.		1953.		1954.	
	cwt.	£A'000.	cwt.	£A'000.	cwt.	£A'000.	cwt.	£A'000.
	MUTTON AND LAMB. (Preserved by Cold Process.)				PORK. (Preserved by Cold Process.)			
United Kingdom ..	69,720	302	95,152	840	680	5	16,998	193
Australian Territories ..	1,604	20	1,829	22	484	8	529	12
Canada ..	..	..	2,626	12	254	4	693	11
Ceylon ..	1,268	11	805	4	..	..	..	..
Hong Kong ..	1,651	13	808	6	140	2	20	..
Singapore ..	5,755	31	3,560	21	2,719	51	2,366	40
Other British Countries	3,093	27	8,875	59	505	11	629	12
Arabian States—								
Bahrein Is. ..	323	4	584	7	..	..	91	2
Saudi Arabia and								
Yemen ..	1,330	12	2,131	26	161	3	180	5
Other ..	326	4	145	3	91	2	20	1
Belgium(a) ..	3,153	14	1,592	7	..	..	100	1
Egypt ..	2,564	13	575	5	1,001	19	777	13
U.S.S.R. ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
United States of America	2,532	10	186	1	51	1	6	..
Other Foreign Countries	3,821	34	10,395	59	3,478	60	765	12
New South Wales ..	55,666	267	25,857	154	982	15	1,842	27
Victoria ..	22,627	137	84,383	709	563	10	888	14
Queensland ..	554	3	50	1	7,731	135	19,264	242
South Australia ..	10,457	43	16,719	191	18	1	5	..
Western Australia ..	7,754	44	1,176	8	270	5	1,175	19
Tasmania ..	82	1	1,078	9	..	..	..	..
Total ..	97,140	495	129,263	1,072	9,564	166	23,174	302
	'000 lb.	£A'000.	'000 lb.	£A'000.	'000 lb.	£A'000.	'000 lb.	£A'000.
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	DRIED VINE FRUITS—CURRANTS.				DRIED VINE FRUITS—RAISINS (including Sultanias and Lexias).			
United Kingdom ..	6,081	235	4,593	225	37,187	1,618	29,593	1,498
Canada ..	2,737	142	3,122	144	15,575	791	20,203	841
New Zealand ..	524	29	718	38	3,665	237	3,788	210
Singapore ..	29	2	28	2	44	4	47	4
Other British Countries	335	21	180	11	545	36	635	39
Egypt ..	34	2	58	4	71	5	121	10
Other Foreign Countries	6	1	49	3	40	5	66	5
New South Wales ..	..	..	1	..	2	..	4	..
Victoria ..	5,236	220	3,206	157	46,501	2,113	41,869	1,974
Queensland ..	..	..	..	..	2	1	1	..
South Australia ..	3,423	165	4,346	217	10,615	581	12,565	631
Western Australia ..	1,087	47	1,194	53	7	1	14	2
Tasmania ..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..
Total ..	9,746	432	8,748	427	57,127	2,696	54,453	2,607

(a) Includes Luxemburg prior to 1954-55.

NOTE.—Values expressed in Australian currency, f.o.b. port of shipment.

Principal Agricultural, Pastoral and Dairy Produce of Australian Origin Exported to Various Countries—continued.

Country of Destination and State of Final Shipment.	September Quarter—							
	1953.		1954.		1953.		1954.	
	'000 lb.	£A'000.	'000 lb.	£A'000.	'000 lb.	£A'000.	'000 lb.	£A'000.
	DRIED TREE FRUITS.				FRUITS PRESERVED IN AIRTIGHT CONTAINERS.			
United Kingdom ..	56	5	658	80	29,319	1,930	59,934	4,387
Canada ..	2	..	60	8	730	57	1,137	87
Ireland, Republic of ..	..	..	..	..	464	36	..	..
New Zealand ..	261	34	581	74	1,470	110	2,933	217
Singapore ..	58	8	50	8	153	10	309	26
Other British Countries	151	20	159	20	1,476	105	1,888	105
Egypt ..	99	14	39	5	826	53	514	37
Germany, Fed. Rep. of ..	64	7	526	74	675	43	87	5
Other Foreign Countries	22	3	832	78	1,308	87	1,280	89
New South Wales ..	285	34	856	95	4,952	316	8,575	596
Victoria ..	168	21	116	16	27,427	1,831	48,229	3,446
Queensland ..	1	..	2	..	3,392	251	9,867	852
South Australia ..	177	27	1,215	139	436	23	660	47
Western Australia ..	..	..	5	..	5	..	1	..
Tasmania ..	82	9	711	97	209	10	250	12
Total ..	713	91	2,905	347	36,421	2,431	67,582	4,953
	Tons.	£A'000.	Tons.	£A'000.	'000 lb.	£A'000.	'000 lb.	£A'000.
	WHEAT.				FLOUR.			
United Kingdom ..	84,733	2,818	97,530	2,647	98,716	1,910	15,728	212
Aden ..	..	..	..	..	6,353	133	3,495	49
Australian Territories ..	17	1	15	..	2,593	52	3,071	52
Borneo (British) ..	10	..	..	..	4,638	103	4,491	75
Ceylon ..	..	..	18	1	94,201	2,052	40,847	685
Cyprus ..	9,284	315	18,879	377	..	..	..	..
East Africa (British) ..	150	5	..	..	2,726	58	1,282	19
Hong Kong ..	71	3	147	5	6,476	142	2,835	37
India ..	121,226	3,845	43,532	1,118	39,591	763	25	..
Ireland, Republic of ..	..	..	8,126	210	..	..	..	..
Malaya, Fed. of ..	2,234	87	2,370	70	36,299	790	44,090	746
Mauritius ..	..	..	12	..	19,790	425	6,722	105
New Zealand ..	63,686	2,331	49,123	1,305	50	1	..	..
Pacific Islands—	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Fiji ..	5	..	5	..	4,851	106	5,924	88
Other ..	19	1	7	..	2,454	46	1,860	33
Pakistan ..	34,134	1,479	..	..	..	..	88	1
Rhodesia, Northern ..	4,000	159	2,840	79	..	..	..	..
Rhodesia, Southern ..	12,767	512	8,521	237	..	..	..	..
Singapore ..	1,223	47	640	18	39,148	842	32,632	547
Sudan, Anglo-Egyptian	..	..	..	..	..	..	4,296	63
Other British Countries	332	11	75	3	1,968	43	1,821	30
Arabian States ..	220	10	371	11	4,676	95	1,522	23
Burma ..	2,137	82	200	6	11,466	254	20,038	324
Egypt ..	..	..	..	..	12,628	248	14,102	211
French Dependencies ..	110	5	87	..	10,652	258	5,608	90
Germany, Fed. Rep. of ..	..	..	73,994	2,008	..	..	..	..
Indonesia ..	2	..	..	..	87,513	1,995	36,083	635
Italy ..	9,566	324	..	..	..	..	466	7
Japan ..	..	..	500	11	833	16	1,338	22
Korea ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Netherlands ..	9,208	284	8,182	218	..	..	..	..
Portuguese Possessions—	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
India ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Mozambique ..	..	..	2,329	64	..	..	167	4
Other ..	..	..	..	..	163	3	72	1
Sweden ..	15,931	500	..	..	..	..	..	..
Thailand ..	30	1	59	2	4,204	98	5,876	102
Other Foreign Countries	4	..	..	..	161	4	2,189	37
New South Wales ..	57,730	1,879	39,910	1,121	145,021	3,096	86,023	1,395
Victoria ..	52,468	1,737	117,063	3,138	189,704	4,050	76,632	1,262
Queensland ..	27,744	860	389	11	2,549	54	4,216	70
South Australia ..	173,847	6,417	72,491	1,947	50,718	1,028	36,624	607
Western Australia ..	59,310	1,927	82,709	2,175	104,158	2,209	52,673	864
Total ..	371,099	12,820	312,562	8,392	492,150	10,437	256,168	4,198

NOTE.—Values expressed in Australian currency, f.o.b. port of shipment.

Principal Agricultural, Pastoral and Dairy Produce of Australian Origin Exported to Various Countries—continued.

Country of Destination and State of Final Shipment.	September Quarter—							
	1953.		1954.		1953.		1954.	
	'000 lb.	£A'000.	'000 lb.	£A'000.	'000 lb.	£A'000.	'000 lb.	£A'000.
	WOOL—GREASY.				WOOL—SCOURED AND WASHED, CARBONIZED, TOPS, NOILS AND WASTE.			
United Kingdom ..	47,363	17,456	43,073	14,682	7,603	3,602	6,956	3,047
Canada ..	38	13	222	87	826	407	736	338
Hong Kong ..	..	..	..	..	201	172	153	110
India ..	188	48	115	36	190	128	109	73
Ireland, Republic of ..	918	387	1,590	597	27	14	55	24
New Zealand ..	..	..	76	35	89	58	122	89
South Africa, Union of ..	1,315	475	117	37	330	137	72	34
Other British Countries ..	..	..	..	..	53	24	71	31
Austria ..	308	143	214	84	..	..	7	3
Belgium(a) ..	17,648	5,084	12,150	3,140	2,070	1,024	1,191	445
China ..	..	..	..	..	796	599	700	484
Czechoslovakia ..	2,633	1,246	975	406	..	..	..	..
Denmark ..	..	..	..	..	196	93	192	82
Egypt ..	..	..	..	..	160	110	23	22
France ..	25,872	8,762	19,332	5,948	1,666	813	1,443	628
Germany, Fed. Rep. of ..	7,582	2,900	6,927	2,304	1,045	489	1,129	469
Greece ..	..	..	..	..	53	25	194	88
Italy ..	12,398	4,425	6,022	1,960	1,369	563	1,033	397
Japan ..	13,220	5,602	18,430	7,276	5,013	3,066	470	270
Mexico ..	466	187	419	172	..	..	289	135
Netherlands ..	530	199	568	160	187	79	168	65
Norway ..	..	..	..	..	10	7	32	15
Poland ..	3,284	1,368	1,824	782	..	..	..	..
Portugal ..	25	12	266	112	14	8	92	50
Spain ..	..	..	210	89	..	..	..	..
Sweden ..	179	72	439	156	166	75	202	87
Switzerland ..	409	121	472	172	81	39	35	16
Turkey ..	613	277	560	250	218	140	24	10
U.S.S.R. ..	7,373	3,592	..	..	..	..	..	..
United States of America	6,812	2,690	7,532	2,902	2,734	1,168	5,506	2,328
Yugoslavia ..	318	128	139	57	..	..	30	14
Other Foreign Countries	29	11	112	41	393	189	876	448
Total ..	149,521	55,198	121,784	41,485	25,490	13,029	21,910	9,802
New South Wales ..	49,089	17,680	46,706	15,595	6,773	3,620	6,542	2,853
Victoria ..	20,150	7,258	16,603	5,620	9,084	4,026	7,332	2,998
Queensland ..	47,868	18,768	31,229	11,299	3,221	1,805	2,815	1,307
South Australia ..	23,107	8,135	15,196	4,867	2,859	1,461	1,744	778
Western Australia ..	8,663	3,111	11,971	4,079	2,050	995	2,280	987
Tasmania ..	644	246	79	25	4	1	2	1
Total ..	149,521	55,198	121,784	41,485	23,991	11,908	20,715	8,924

(a) Includes Luxemburg prior to 1954-55.
not available for publication.

(b) Excludes exports of wool tops. State details

NOTE.—Values expressed in Australian currency, f.o.b. port of shipment.

Section V.—Retail Sales.

NOTE.—For an indication of fluctuations in the value of *Wholesale Trade* to September, 1954, see table entitled "Commonwealth Sales Tax," page 58.

TOTAL VALUE OF RETAIL SALES.(a)

The figures in the tables below relate to the retail sales of goods (as distinct from services, accommodation, entertainments, meals, &c.) by establishments selling retail goods from fixed premises (shops, rooms, kiosks, yards), and include the retail sales of establishments principally engaged in wholesale, manufacturing or servicing activities.

The figures shown for 1948-49 were obtained by a census of retail establishments throughout Australia; figures for subsequent periods were obtained by means of a representative sample of establishments which account for approximately 40 per cent. of retail sales in Australia. The estimated totals have been calculated by methods appropriate to a stratified sample.

(£ million.)

Particulars.	1948-49.	1950-51.	1951-52.	1952-53.	1953-54.
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STATES.

New South Wales	458.2	668.9	754.7	761.3	824.9
Victoria	320.1	475.4	540.8	545.4	588.3
Queensland	154.2	226.1	256.1	268.4	292.9
South Australia	97.9	148.6	175.3	176.7	193.3
Western Australia	79.3	118.6	141.1	146.2	160.1
Tasmania	35.4	51.7	61.8	64.1	70.1
Total	1,145.1	1,689.3	1,929.8	1,962.1	2,129.6

COMMODITY GROUPS.

Groceries	143.4	184.7	229.7	257.4	268.9
Butchers' Meat	65.3	89.1	113.2	120.1	123.6
Other Food(b)	116.6	155.8	188.5	207.7	222.0
Total Foodstuffs	325.3	429.6	531.4	585.2	614.5
Beer, wine and spirits	95.3	121.8	150.8	169.1	182.2
Clothing, Drapery, Piece Goods and Footwear	237.8	322.8	342.7	343.4	373.2
Hardware, China and Glassware	72.5	110.2	128.0	128.5	139.4
Electrical Goods and Radios	33.8	58.2	66.1	61.8	73.3
Furniture and Floor Coverings	46.4	74.4	72.3	68.2	74.8
Other Goods(c)	167.9	237.6	281.0	280.8	295.5
Total (excluding Motor Vehicles, &c.)	979.0	1,354.6	1,572.3	1,637.0	1,752.9
Motor Vehicles, Parts, Petrol, &c.	166.1	334.7	357.5	325.1	376.7
Total	1,145.1	1,689.3	1,929.8	1,962.1	2,129.6

(a) Excludes sales in Australian Capital Territory and Northern Territory. (b) Includes fresh fruit and vegetables, confectionery, soft drinks, ice cream, cakes, pastry, cooked provisions, fish, &c., but excludes some delivered milk and bread. (c) Includes tobacco, cigarettes, &c., newspapers, books and stationery, chemists' goods, grain and produce, jewellery, office equipment, &c.

RETAIL SALES : HIRE PURCHASE AGREEMENTS ENTERED INTO BY FINANCE COMPANIES.

The statistics in the following tables relate to businesses which finance the sale of goods at retail but do not retail goods themselves. Particulars of agreements originally made between retailers and customers and subsequently assigned to finance companies are not included in the figures of agreements made during each quarter nor, up to 31st December, 1953, in those of balances outstanding. Commencing 31st March, 1954, however, details of balances outstanding on agreements assigned to finance companies were collected and are included in the figures from that date. Figures in these tables have been revised since the last issue.

Balances Outstanding at end of each Quarter(a).

(Including Hiring Charges and Insurance.)

(£'000.)

As at—	N.S.W. (b)	Vic.	Qld.	S.A.(c)	W.A.	Tas.	Aust.
1953—							
31st March ..	34,397	19,388	14,355	7,642	6,048	2,739	84,569
30th June ..	34,972	19,861	15,072	8,016	6,354	2,929	87,204
30th September ..	37,889	21,704	16,107	8,882	6,950	3,239	94,771
31st December ..	43,756	25,097	18,379	10,356	7,978	3,666	109,232
1954—							
31st March(d) ..	47,676	27,546	19,674	11,199	8,548	4,032	118,675
30th June (d) ..	51,443	30,726	22,341	12,483	9,703	4,534	131,230
30th September (d) ..	55,153	34,144	24,018	14,070	10,893	4,991	143,269

(a) Balances on agreements entered into during the quarter or at any time previously. (b) Includes Australian Capital Territory. (c) Includes Northern Territory. (d) See note above.

Agreements Made during Quarter ended 30th September, 1954 : States.

Particulars of Agreement.	N.S.W. (a)	Vic.	Qld.	S.A. (b)	W.A.	Tas.	Aust.
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MOTOR VEHICLES.

Number of Agreements ..	23,358	15,667	11,069	8,216	5,293	2,514	66,117
Total Value of Goods(c)£'000	15,845	10,909	7,234	5,554	3,497	1,868	44,907
Amount Financed(d) £'000	9,203	6,390	4,125	3,117	2,022	1,005	25,862

PLANT AND MACHINERY.

Number of Agreements ..	1,413	903	594	178	185	81	3,354
Total Value of Goods(c)£'000	616	542	294	94	183	57	1,786
Amount Financed(d) £'000	383	321	194	59	113	36	1,106

HOUSEHOLD AND PERSONAL GOODS.

Number of Agreements ..	60,938	34,561	29,118	11,474	10,363	3,691	150,145
Total Value of Goods(c)£'000	4,679	2,518	1,806	818	781	274	10,876
Amount Financed(d) £'000	3,842	2,034	1,439	662	623	220	8,820

TOTAL (ALL GOODS).

Number of Agreements ..	85,709	51,131	40,781	19,868	15,841	6,286	219,616
Total Value of Goods(c)£'000	21,140	13,969	9,334	6,466	4,461	2,199	57,569
Amount Financed(d) £'000	13,428	8,745	5,758	3,838	2,758	1,261	35,788

(a) Includes Australian Capital Territory. (b) Includes Northern Territory. (c) Value at net cash or list price (excluding hiring charges and insurance). (d) Excludes hiring charges and insurance.

Retail Sales : Hire Purchase Agreements Entered Into By Finance Companies—continued.

Agreements Made during each Quarter : Australia.

Period.	Number of Agreements.	Value of Goods.(a)		Amount Financed.(b)		Average Proportion of Sale Financed. (b)
		Total.	Average per Agreement.	Total.	Average per Agreement.	
		£'000	£	£'000.	£	%
MOTOR VEHICLES, PLANT AND MACHINERY.						
Year 1953	195,553	133,280	682	71,848	367	54
Quarter ended—						
March, 1953	42,690	27,593	646	15,288	358	55
June, 1953	42,816	29,937	699	16,053	375	54
September, 1953 ..	50,612	35,207	696	18,696	369	53
December, 1953 ..	59,435	40,543	682	21,811	367	54
March, 1954—						
Motor Vehicles ..	55,017	35,768	650	20,269	368	57
Plant and Machinery ..	2,349	1,448	616	844	359	58
Total	57,366	37,216	649	21,013	366	57
June 1954—						
Motor Vehicles ..	62,127	42,010	676	24,705	398	59
Plant and Machinery ..	2,764	1,782	645	1,113	403	62
Total	64,891	43,792	675	25,818	398	59
September 1954—						
Motor Vehicles ..	66,117	44,907	679	25,862	391	58
Plant and Machinery ..	3,354	1,786	532	1,106	330	62
Total	69,471	46,693	672	26,968	388	58
HOUSEHOLD AND PERSONAL GOODS.						
Year 1953	480,809	34,040	71	26,223	55	77
Quarter ended—						
March, 1953	110,066	7,967	72	5,973	54	75
June, 1953	102,544	6,483	63	5,013	49	77
September, 1953 ..	117,857	7,936	67	6,148	52	77
December, 1953 ..	150,342	11,654	78	9,089	60	78
March, 1954	142,946	11,586	81	9,030	63	78
June, 1954	147,395	10,195	69	8,227	56	81
September, 1954 ..	150,145	10,876	72	8,820	59	81
TOTAL (ALL GOODS).						
Year 1953	676,362	167,320	247	98,071	145	59
Quarter ended—						
March, 1953	152,756	35,560	233	21,261	139	60
June, 1953	145,360	36,420	251	21,066	145	58
September, 1953 ..	168,469	43,143	256	24,844	147	58
December, 1953 ..	209,777	52,197	249	30,900	147	59
March, 1954	200,312	48,802	244	30,143	150	62
June, 1954	212,286	53,987	254	34,045	160	63
September, 1954 ..	219,616	57,569	262	35,788	163	62

(a) Value at net cash or list price (excluding hiring charges and insurance).

(b) Excludes hiring charges and insurance.

Section VI.—Public Finance.

COMMONWEALTH CONSOLIDATED REVENUE FUND—RECEIPTS.
(£'000.)

Sources of Revenue.	1938-39.	1952-53.	1953-54.	Three Months Ended September—	
				1953.	1954.
TAXATION—					
Customs	31,161	70,720	94,757	21,979	25,447
Excise	16,472	113,104	125,480	28,587	32,597
Sales Tax	9,308	89,067	95,689	22,183	24,796
Flour Tax (a)	1,809	..	..	..	..
Land Tax	1,489	1,250	221	88	24
Income Taxes(b)	11,883	554,737	528,181	92,423	83,886
Pay-roll Tax .. .. .	..	40,171	40,384	10,515	10,667
Estate Duty	1,915	8,393	9,825	2,676	2,818
Gift Duty .. .. .	..	1,162	1,386	310	416
Entertainments Tax .. .. .	..	6,708	1,977	1,709	1
Wool Contributory Charge and Wool Tax(a) (c) .. 74	..	703	772	94	89
Wheat Export Charge(a) .. .. .	..	8,139	..	..	..
Other Export Charges (a) (d) .. .. .	..	166	168	38	53
Stevedoring Industry Charge (a) .. .. .	..	1,144	1,630	428	252
Total, Taxation	74,111	895,464	900,450	181,030	181,046
BUSINESS UNDERTAKINGS—					
Postmaster-General's Department	17,366	64,398	67,798	16,168	17,119
Railways—					
Trans-Australia	331	1,372	1,825	391	348
Central Australia	138	1,290	1,553	381	269
North Australia	50	42	68	18	6
Australian Capital Territory	7	25	15	9	6
Total, Railways	526	2,729	3,461	799	629
Broadcasting Services.. .. .	(e)	3,806	3,867	1,188	1,165
Total, Business Undertakings	17,892	70,933	75,126	18,155	18,913
TERRITORIES (f)	356	1,779	2,195	501	534
OTHER REVENUE—					
Coinage	128	310	750	..	..
Defence	151	2,188	2,809	606	1,052
Atomic Energy Commission .. .. .	..	1,174	2,790	497	..
Civil Aviation	6	3,501	4,313	120	434
Health	18	43	80	15	20
Attorney-General	111	287	322	80	97
Commerce and Agriculture	6	121	106	47	..
Shipping and Transport	152	255	391	63	79
Net Profit on Note Issue	767	4,861	5,707	1,653	1,719
Other	1,367	(g) 59,151	27,751	3,923	5,497
Total	2,706	71,891	45,019	7,004	8,898
GRAND TOTAL	95,065	1,040,067	1,022,790	206,690	209,391
PER HEAD OF POPULATION—					
Taxation	£ s. d. 10 13 9	£ s. d. 102 7 5	£ s. d. 101 0 0	£ s. d. 20 10 1	£ s. d. 20 2 11
Business Undertakings	2 11 7	8 2 2	8 8 7	2 1 1	2 2 1
Other	0 8 10	8 8 5	5 5 11	0 17 0	1 1 0
Total	13 14 2	118 18 0	114 14 6	23 8 2	23 6 0

(a) Paid to Trust Fund for purposes of industry concerned. (b) Includes Social Services Contribution, Wool Deduction, Undistributed Profits Tax and Super Tax. (c) Wool levy for publicity and research. (d) Prior to 1952-53 treated as refunds of revenue. (e) Part included with Postmaster-General's Department, balance included in Wireless Broadcasting Trust Account revenue. (f) Excludes Railways—see Business Undertakings. (g) Includes sale of shares in Commonwealth Oil Refineries Ltd., £2,762,000 and wool disposals profit, £42,361,000.

COMMONWEALTH CONSOLIDATED REVENUE FUND—EXPENDITURE.

(£'000.)

Heads of Expenditure.	1938-39.	1952-53.	1953-54.	Three Months Ended September—	
				1953.	1954.
Administrative and Miscellaneous Services..	5,390	70,536	65,078	15,017	16,703
Interest and Debt Redemption, n.e.i.(a) ..	3,839	4,867	6,016	2,843	(b) 2,755
Capital Works and Services, n.e.i. ..	634	65,386	59,920	13,232	10,484
National Welfare Fund and Social Services(c)	16,423	165,511	176,565	39,948	47,027
Subsidies and Bounties	236	25,332	21,320	3,911	3,765
Defence Services (d)	8,928	216,016	190,661	36,110	29,555
War and Repatriation Services—					
Interest and Debt Redemption(a) ..	9,665	(e) 64,610	(e) 63,679	13,639	(b) 12,889
War Pensions	8,227	36,577	39,425	8,820	11,075
Other Services	1,365	16,645	17,158	6,636	6,233
Total, War and Repatriation Services	19,257	117,832	120,262	29,095	30,197
Business Undertakings—					
Postmaster-General's Department—					
Interest and Debt Redemption(a) ..	2,887	3,720	3,520	987	(b) 694
Capital Works and Services	3,851	28,427	25,986	5,534	5,831
Other	11,991	66,197	68,724	15,487	15,360
Total, Postmaster-General's Department	18,729	98,344	98,230	22,008	21,885
Railways—					
Interest and Debt Redemption (a) ..	530	561	561	165	(b) 140
Capital Works and Services	142	4,746	3,382	570	652
Other	821	3,383	3,576	712	706
Total, Railways	1,493	8,690	7,519	1,447	1,498
Broadcasting Services—					
Capital Works and Services .. ..	..	202	281	31	50
Other .. .. .	..	4,556	4,684	1,038	1,068
Total, Broadcasting Services	(f)	4,758	4,965	1,069	1,118
Total, Business Undertakings	20,222	111,792	110,714	24,524	24,501
Territories(g)—					
Interest and Debt Redemption(a) ..	376	333	359	91	(b) 90
Capital Works and Services	739	4,821	4,511	1,005	956
Other—					
Northern Territory	323	2,355	2,522	496	528
Australian Capital Territory	349	2,205	2,382	336	472
Papua-New Guinea	47	4,882	5,812	1,365	1,727
Norfolk Island	5	40	58	4	5
Total, Territories	1,839	14,636	15,644	3,347	3,778
Payments to or for the States—					
Interest on States' Debts(h)	7,585	7,585	7,585	1,896	1,896
Redemption of States' Debts	1,478	3,011	3,463	852	966
Special Grants	2,020	15,934	15,400	4,087	2,775
Grants, for Road Construction, &c., purposes	4,266	15,707	22,057	4,318	4,359
Tax Reimbursement Grants .. ..	..	108,623	120,415	27,164	29,984
States' Grants—Special Assistance ..	..	27,146	21,915	..	..
Other	300	4,885	3,413	658	561
Total, Payments to or for the States	15,649	182,891	194,248	38,975	40,541
Self-balancing Items	2,015	(i) 51,868	6,091	1,057	394
GRAND TOTAL	94,437	1,026,667	(k) 966,519	208,059	209,700
PER HEAD OF POPULATION	£ s. d. 13 12 5	£ s. d. 117 7 6	£ s. d. 108 8 3	£ s. d. 23 11 4	£ s. d. 23 6 8

(a) Includes exchange on interest payments. (b) Estimated. (c) For expenditure on Social Services, see page 64. (d) Expenditure on the Departments of Defence, Navy, Army, Air, Supply and Defence Production. Includes Capital Works and Services. (e) Includes redemption of War Savings Certificates 1952-53, £6,208,000 and 1953-54, £5,292,000. (f) Part included with Postmaster-General's Department, balance included in Wireless Broadcasting Trust Account expenditure. (g) Excludes Railways—see Business Undertakings. (h) Excludes balance of interest payable on States' debts (recoverable from States). (i) Includes transfers to Wool Disposals Profit Fund, £42,361,000. (j) Excludes transfer of surplus revenue, £13,400,000, to War Pensions Trust Account. (k) Excludes transfer of surplus revenue, £56,271,000 to Debt Redemption Reserve.

COMMONWEALTH EXPENDITURE FROM LOAN FUND.

(£'000.)

Particulars.	1938-39.	1950-51.	1951-52.	1952-53.	1953-54.	Total to 30th June, 1954.
War (1914-18) and Repatriation Services	..	..	..	..	..	372,990
Defence and War (1939-45) Services and Post-war Charges	..	28,773	5,120	5,684	4,199	1,628,689
Works and Services—						
Defence Buildings, Works, Sites	1,912	Cr. 12	..	..	..	8,682
Civil Aviation, Buildings and Works	..	..	..	..	..	213
Ships, Yards and Docks	Cr. 305	..	..	..	..	7,694
Lighthouses, Works and Services	Cr. 1	..	..	..	..	634
River Murray Waters Act	..	..	..	..	..	2,106
Postmaster-General's Department	Cr. 1	Cr. 1	Cr. 1	Cr. 1	..	40,530
Health Buildings, Laboratories and Services	..	..	..	..	..	102
War Service Homes(a)	..	..	..	..	..	7,329
Railways	..	Cr. 1	Cr. 3	Cr. 4	Cr. 1	13,750
Territories(b)	..	Cr. 16	Cr. 1	Cr. 9	Cr. 12	8,723
Other	Cr. 7	..	..	..	..	3,109
Assistance to States—	..	..	..	..	..	..
Housing	..	21,640	26,547	30,000	37,200	178,209
Other	1,996	..	..	..	..	13,943
Wheat Bounty	..	..	..	..	..	3,430
Total Additions, New Works, Buildings, &c.	3,594	21,610	26,542	29,986	37,187	288,454
International Bank Dollar Loan(c)	..	4,044	23,831	17,935	21,468	67,278
Swiss Loan (d)	..	..	..	..	5,792	5,792
GRAND TOTAL	3,594	54,427	55,493	53,605	68,646	2,363,203

(a) In addition, £13,045,000 was expended from War Loan Fund prior to 1923-24. (b) Includes administration and other public buildings, Australian Capital Territory. (c) Repayments paid to National Debt Sinking Fund. (d) Repayments paid to Swiss Loan Trust Account.

PUBLIC LOANS RAISED IN AUSTRALIA FOR DEFENCE, WAR (1939-45) AND POST-WAR CHARGES, ETC.(a)

Year and Month of Raising.	Amount Invited.	Number of Sub- scribers.	Allocation of Proceeds.			Rates of Interest.	Years of Maturity.
			Commonwealth.		States.		
			Defence, War (1939-45) and Post-war Charges.	Advances to States for Housing.			
	£'000.		£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	%	
1948—September ..	15,000	84,472	52	..	15,000	3½	1962
1949—March ..	43,239	54,860	5,539	32,140	24,145	2, 3½	1952, 1960-63
September ..	25,912	63,504	..	..	45,167	..	1953, 1960-63
1950—March ..	40,875	46,066	11,887	17,215	31,576	..	1953, 1961-64
August ..	12,898	46,302	1,301	..	47,000	..	..
November ..	21,253	32,160	..	..	30,000	..	..
1951—May ..	40,000	46,192	328	..	48,938	..	1954, (b) 1962-65
August ..	40,000	22,628	..	3,840	28,660	2, 3½	1954, 1962-65
November ..	13,233	12,909	..	1,470	12,076	..	..
1952—March ..	30,533	19,449	..	1,787	15,862	..	1955, 1962-65
November ..	20,000	26,925	..	2,459	17,810	4½	1961
1953—March ..	29,789	20,841	92	3,595	28,331	3, 4½	(c) 1955, 1962
September ..	50,000	30,977	..	6,850	59,468	..	1955, 1966
1954—March ..	35,000	24,974	..	72	52,000	..	(d) 1957, 1967
August ..	37,594	26,832	..	..	46,505	..	(d) 1957, 1967
November ..	50,000	(e)	..	..	37,159	..	(f) 1957, 1968

(a) Excludes redemption and conversion loans. (b) Price of issue: £99. (c) Price of issue: £99 10s. (d) Price of issue: £98 10s. (e) Not yet available. (f) Price of issue: £98 15s.

COMMONWEALTH PUBLIC DEBT.

For a summary of Commonwealth Public Debt as at 30th June, 1954, see page 63.

**COMMONWEALTH INCOME TAX AND SOCIAL SERVICES CONTRIBUTION,
1952-53.(a)**

Grade of Actual Income and State or Territory of Assessment.		Number of Taxpayers.	Taxable Income.			Net Income Tax and Social Services Contribution Assessed.
			Personal Exertion.	Property.	Total.	
£	£	No.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
105-	200 ..	200,711	27,939	2,311	30,250	434
201-	300 ..	270,729	59,742	4,272	64,014	1,985
301-	400 ..	307,080	94,107	4,696	98,803	4,860
401-	500 ..	363,271	142,189	4,758	146,947	9,569
501-	600 ..	371,461	168,635	4,862	173,497	13,350
601-	700 ..	486,388	249,831	4,647	254,478	22,031
701-	800 ..	434,711	252,791	4,587	257,378	24,955
801-	900 ..	306,206	199,524	4,186	203,710	21,846
901-	1,000 ..	196,872	141,905	3,809	145,714	17,093
1,001-	1,250 ..	214,482	179,946	7,611	187,557	25,203
1,251-	1,500 ..	80,306	84,177	6,002	90,179	14,657
1,501-	2,000 ..	72,535	97,327	8,920	106,247	21,019
2,001-	3,000 ..	56,460	109,575	11,542	121,117	31,511
3,001-	4,000 ..	23,868	67,115	7,582	74,697	24,598
4,001-	5,000 ..	12,018	43,971	5,235	49,206	19,168
5,001-	10,000 ..	15,086	80,026	12,328	92,354	47,391
10,001-	15,000 ..	2,354	22,002	4,390	26,392	17,027
15,001 and over	..	1,323	22,973	7,234	30,207	22,233
Total Residents ..		3,415,861	2,043,775	108,972	2,152,747	338,930
Central Office ..	..	12,369	22,733	10,734	33,467	16,781
New South Wales ..	..	1,303,508	775,995	36,129	812,124	119,930
Victoria ..	..	991,386	593,316	33,280	626,596	93,973
Queensland ..	..	447,779	239,050	9,728	248,778	37,373
South Australia ..	..	311,114	196,670	10,472	207,142	33,852
Western Australia ..	..	224,923	146,549	5,881	152,430	27,579
Tasmania ..	..	107,223	58,171	2,526	60,697	7,770
Northern Territory ..	..	4,654	2,875	35	2,910	384
Australian Capital Territory	..	12,905	8,416	187	8,603	1,288
Total Residents ..		3,415,861	2,043,775	108,972	2,152,747	338,930
Total Non-Residents ..		4,404	944	3,157	4,101	1,245
GRAND TOTAL INDIVIDUALS ..		3,420,265	2,044,719	112,129	2,156,848	340,175
Companies (b) ..		25,130	..	..	414,115	(c) 157,070

(a) Assessed on income for year 1951-52.
Undistributed Profits Tax.

(b) Preliminary, subject to revision.

(c) Includes

COMMONWEALTH ESTATE DUTY, 1952-53.

Grade of Dutiable Value.					Number of Estates.(a)	Gross Value as Assessed.	Dutiable Value.	Net Duty Payable.
£	£				No.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
1- 1,000	..	..	..	..	5,844	12,863	2,516	75
1,001- 2,000	..	..	..	..	3,131	10,358	4,569	137
2,001- 3,000	..	..	..	..	2,023	8,927	5,033	151
3,001- 4,000	..	..	..	..	1,393	7,596	4,857	145
4,001- 5,000	..	..	..	..	1,072	7,067	4,880	153
5,001-10,000	..	..	..	..	2,698	24,872	18,861	559
10,001-20,000	..	..	..	..	2,090	34,915	29,772	1,301
20,001-50,000	..	..	..	..	1,178	41,940	34,703	2,849
50,001 and over	..	..	..	..	234	27,134	20,120	3,879
Total	..	..	..	..	19,663	175,672	125,311	9,249

(a) Number of estates assessed during year 1952-53.

COMMONWEALTH SALES TAX.

NOTE.—An indication of fluctuations in the value of wholesale trade is given by the returns made under the Sales Tax Acts. With certain specified exemptions, all goods sold by wholesale in Australia, including imports are taxable. The returns do not relate to all wholesale trade, as vendors trading only in exempt goods are not required to furnish returns. They do not necessarily cover a constant proportion of all trade. The effects of legislation and administrative changes on the recorded values of taxable and exempt goods respectively are somewhat uncertain, but total recorded sales are affected in smaller degree. Insufficient information is available to enable adjustments to be made to the crude figures on this account. Monthly totals are compiled on a basis comparable with the monthly averages for preceding years.

Sales of Taxable and Exempt Goods and Sales Tax payable.—Australia.(a)

(£'000.)

Period.	Net Sales of Taxable and Exempt Goods.	Taxable Sales.(a)										Sales Tax Payable.
		8½ per cent.	10 per cent.	12½ per cent.	16½ per cent.	20 per cent.	25 per cent.	33½ per cent.	50 per cent.	66½ per cent.	Total.	
1938-39 ..	477,147	196,491	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	196,491	9,363
1949-50 ..	1,321,826	376,453	68,577	..	..	..	10,221	..	..	..	455,251	40,789
1950-51 ..	1,686,233	463,975	49,463	..	..	..	11,325	22,584	..	..	547,347	53,984
1951-52 ..	1,945,086	134,246	24,243	327,442	..	85,192	6,079	36,276	4,983	4,929	623,300	91,332
1952-53 ..	1,897,669	..	..	403,680	..	121,413	134	23,000	6,794	369	555,390	86,085
1953-54 ..	2,154,269	..	..	483,736	176,136	24,265	..	3,007	802	..	687,946	96,079
Quarter—												
1953—												
Sept. ..	519,830	..	..	109,599	16,473	24,265	..	3,007	802	..	154,146	22,702
Dec. ..	576,961	..	..	137,202	59,322	..	..	..	..	..	196,524	27,037
1954—												
Mar. ..	494,203	..	..	115,426	46,026	..	..	..	..	..	161,452	22,099
June ..	563,275	..	..	121,509	54,315	..	..	..	..	..	175,824	24,241
Sept. ..	595,032	..	21,672	115,001	56,309	..	..	..	..	..	192,982	25,927
Month—												
1954—												
July ..	186,966	..	..	40,426	19,996	..	..	..	..	..	60,422	8,386
Aug. ..	193,129	..	6,831	38,533	18,136	..	..	..	..	..	63,500	8,522
Sept. ..	209,737	..	14,841	36,042	18,177	..	..	..	..	..	69,606	9,019

(a) The general rate was 4 per cent. to 21st September, 1938 and 5 per cent. to 8th September, 1939. The 10 per cent. rate came into operation on 15th November, 1946, and superseded the general rate of 12½ per cent., which, together with the 25 per cent. rate, operated from 1st May, 1942. On 8th September, 1949, the general rate was reduced to 8½ per cent. From 13th October, 1950, additional rates of 10 per cent. and 33½ per cent. were introduced. On 27th September, 1951, the general rate was increased to 12½ per cent. and rates of 20 per cent., 50 per cent. and 66½ per cent. were introduced. From 7th August, 1952, the rate of 66½ per cent. was reduced to 50 per cent. and the rate of 25 per cent. eliminated. From 9th September, 1953, the rates of 50 per cent., 33½ per cent. and 20 per cent. were eliminated and the rate of 16½ per cent. was introduced. From 19th August, 1954, the rate of 10 per cent. was re-introduced.

NOTE.—In respect of New South Wales the Consolidated Revenue Fund and Business Undertakings—Railways, Tramways and Omnibuses and Sydney Harbour Trust Section of the Maritime Services Board—included in the Annual Budget Papers are represented in the following tables. The following adjustments have been made to the Budget figures for 1953–54 to obviate duplications within the combined accounts and to obtain uniformity with the other States—(i) Treasury transfers to Railway revenue £1,000,000 and (ii) Commonwealth Hospital Benefits £2,050,000 paid to Consolidated Revenue and then distributed to hospitals, have been deducted from the Budget Revenue total of £189,692,000 and from the Expenditure total of £192,009,000. In addition, £2,445,000 has been deducted from expenditure on account of debt charges not recouped to Consolidated Revenue Fund from Business Undertakings and on account of contributions from Consolidated Revenue Fund towards losses on Tramway and Omnibus Services. Although contributions towards accumulated losses of Business Undertakings have been made from Consolidated Revenue Fund in previous years, no adjustment to aggregate expenditure was made until 1952–53. Particulars for other States are restricted to the transaction of the Consolidated Revenue Fund.

The following Treasury transfers to Business Undertakings have been excluded from Revenue and Expenditure—New South Wales (as stated above)—Railways £1,000,000; Victoria—Railways £1,935,000 and South Australia—Railways £4,000,000.

STATE REVENUES. (£'000.)

Sources of Revenue and Year.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust. (a)	W. Aust. (a)	Tas. (a)(b)	Total.
1953–54.							
Taxation(c)	19,104	17,206	8,299	6,540	(d) 3,346	3,472	57,967
Railways	74,569	35,841	28,952	12,806	11,377	..	163,545
Tramways and Omnibuses	11,575	..	..	..	1,027	..	12,602
Other Business and Industrial Undertakings	2,472	5,322	..	3,947	2,867	4	14,612
Land	3,644	2,683	3,967	310	964	474	12,042
Interest n.e.i.	968	3,054	1,462	2,734	1,126	1,851	11,195
Commonwealth Payments (e)	59,170	37,100	23,798	19,065	19,620	6,598	165,351
All other Sources	15,140	(f) 5,542	3,218	2,974	3,269	886	31,029
Total Revenue 1953–54	186,642	106,748	69,696	48,376	43,596	13,285	468,343
Total Revenue per head	£ s. d. 54 16 0	£ s. d. 44 1 2	£ s. d. 53 11 9	£ s. d. 61 10 9	£ s. d. 69 2 10	£ s. d. 42 18 8	£ s. d. 52 17 9
1952–53	180,908	96,995	63,171	44,251	38,725	(b) 12,061	436,111
1951–52	167,095	81,661	55,753	37,588	33,955	(b) 10,469	386,521
1950–51	128,298	63,546	44,723	31,072	28,974	(b) 7,819	304,432
1949–50	106,504	55,557	37,119	26,360	26,018	(b) 7,077	258,635
1938–39	51,098	26,985	19,330	12,304	10,950	3,615	124,282

STATE EXPENDITURES. (£'000.)

Heads of Expenditure and Year.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas. (a)(b)	Total.
1953–54.							
Interest and Charges on Public Debt	19,817	14,327	8,965	8,237	6,488	3,391	61,225
Railways	64,182	34,607	28,303	14,160	14,357	..	155,609
Tramways and Omnibuses	13,446	..	..	..	1,154	..	14,600
Other Business and Industrial Undertakings	1,705	4,181	411	3,459	3,207	(g) 913	13,876
Education	27,805	17,391	8,082	5,589	5,544	2,810	67,221
Hospitals	16,294	11,601	7,051	3,547	3,367	1,488	43,348
Other Charities	3,278	2,867	1,838	792	970	399	10,144
All other Expenditure	39,987	21,063	14,703	10,782	(h) 8,612	(i) 4,269	99,416
Total Expenditure 1953–54	186,514	106,037	69,353	46,566	43,699	13,270	465,439
Total Expenditure per head	£ s. d. 54 15 3	£ s. d. 43 15 3	£ s. d. 53 6 6	£ s. d. 59 4 8	£ s. d. 69 5 10	£ s. d. 42 17 8	£ s. d. 52 11 2
1952–53	180,811	97,360	62,980	44,226	39,233	(b) 11,763	436,373
1951–52	166,997	84,067	55,708	37,499	34,547	(b) 10,871	389,689
1950–51	128,265	63,889	44,625	30,842	28,814	(b) 8,066	304,501
1949–50	107,681	55,816	37,090	26,550	25,994	(b) 7,344	260,475
1938–39	53,558	27,773	19,316	12,701	11,170	3,641	128,159

(a) Revenue includes balance of Special Grant for 1951–52—South Australia —£200,000, Western Australia —£450,000, Tasmania —£150,000. (b) Excludes particulars of transport services, now under control of the Transport Commission.

(c) For total receipts from various forms of taxation, Commonwealth and State, 1953–54, see p. 62. (d) Gross collections. (e) Includes Commonwealth tax reimbursements. (f) Includes contribution to revenue by Melbourne and Metropolitan Tramways, £71,000. (g) Losses of Transport Commission. (h) Includes reduction of 1951–52 deficit, £450,000. (i) Includes reduction of 1951–52 adjusted surplus, £150,000.

STATE NET LOAN EXPENDITURE DURING THE YEAR, 1953-54.
(£'000.)

Heads of Expenditure.	N.S.W.	Vic.(a)	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Total.
Works and Services—							
Railways	11,331	8,838	5,536	1,374	5,717	303	33,099
Tramways and Omnibuses ..	754	..	..	600	Cr. 69	..	1,285
Roads and Bridges	353	1,510	Cr. 75	Cr. 20	..	..	..
Harbours, Rivers, Lights, &c. ..	1,493	245	Cr. 2	711	1,164	766	6,145
Water Supply and Sewerage	3,562	8,417	2,680	4,975	1,806	343	21,783
Electricity Supply	16,500	6,000	..	5,000	703	8,138	36,341
Public Buildings	11,274	10,677	2,135	1,598	1,572	1,538	28,794
Unemployment Relief	Cr. 25	Cr. 12	..	..	..	..	..
Housing	1,008	Cr. 20	353	3,229	1,001	1,328	Cr. 37
Other(b)	673	395	5,099	131	351	300	7,399
Primary Production—							
Land Settlement (c)	3,387	2,527	123	92	13	83	6,225
Water Conservation, Irrigation and Drainage ..	5,013	..	1,109	731	163	..	7,016
Other	1,404	1,105	1,493	3,139	233	169	7,593
Other purposes .. ..	..	2,823	..	451	1,540	Cr. 31	4,788
Total Works, &c. ..	56,727	42,510	18,451	22,061	14,194	13,437	167,380
Per Head	£ s. d. 16 13 2	£ s. d. 17 10 11	£ s. d. 14 3 9	£ s. d. 28 1 4	£ s. d. 22 10 2	£ s. d. 43 8 5	£ s. d. 18 18 0
Non-Works—							
Revenue, &c., Deficits ..	..	..	..	..	60	552	612
Other(d)	367	139	..	61	41	Cr. 217	391
Grand Total	57,094	42,649	18,451	22,122	14,295	13,772	168,383

TOTAL STATE NET LOAN EXPENDITURE TO 30th JUNE, 1954.
(£'000.)

Heads of Expenditure.	N.S.W.	Vic.(a)(e)	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Total.
Works and Services—							
Railways	235,479	118,597	98,236	50,818	50,360	13,879	567,369
Tramways and Omnibuses ..	18,735	..	..	6,441	2,055	..	26,531
Roads and Bridges	21,629	18,181	10,889	4,686	3,183	..	..
Harbours, Rivers, Lights, &c. ..	30,618	2,627	4,094	12,280	12,757	10,374	131,318
Water Supply and Sewerage	47,673	75,979	8,142	44,611	24,842	1,387	202,634
Electricity Supply	74,503	41,089	..	26,650	13,777	43,769	199,788
Public Buildings	62,488	49,033	20,068	12,673	12,030	8,838	165,130
Unemployment Relief	16,029	13,147	..	..	..	330	29,506
Housing	9,209	9,813	7,163	30,305	4,152	10,060	70,702
Other (b)	14,159	5,580	40,588	2,565	2,952	4,084	69,928
Primary Production—							
Land Settlement (c)	37,562	83,489	9,589	9,453	13,164	2,445	155,702
Water Conservation, Irrigation and Drainage ..	42,417	..	6,403	11,713	6,341	..	66,874
Other	15,815	18,200	21,297	11,482	16,739	2,254	85,787
Other purposes	90	17,265	..	4,518	14,809	2,425	39,107
Total Works, &c. ..	625,706	453,000	226,469	228,195	177,161	99,845	1,810,376
Non-Works—							
Revenue, &c., Deficits ..	38,948	15,456	5,826	8,730	12,175	3,176	84,311
Other(d)	27,552	10,204	15,993	3,347	6,037	1,833	64,971
Grand Total	692,206	478,660	248,293	240,272	195,373	104,854	1,959,658

(a) Expenditure from Loan Fund and on account of loans; includes expenditure from Loan Funds, from Treasurer's Advance Account and from State Loans Repayment Fund. (b) Includes loans to Local Bodies, &c. (c) Includes Advances to Settlers and Soldier Land Settlement. (d) Discount and Notation expenses, exchange on remittances, &c. (e) Aggregate gross loan expenditure.

STATE PUBLIC DEBT AND INTEREST PAYABLE AT 30th JUNE, 1954.

State.	Public Debt.				Interest Payable.			
	Aus- tralia.	London.	New York.	Total.	In Aus- tralia.	In London.	In New York.	Total.
	£'000. Aust. Stg.	£'000. Stg.	£'000. (a)	£'000. (b)	£'000. Aust. Stg.	£'000. Stg.	£'000. (a)	£'000. (c)
New South Wales	481,611	122,281	10,603	614,495	15,493	3,921	357	19,771
Victoria	328,456	44,908	3,600	376,964	10,874	1,453	138	12,465
Queensland	172,165	43,878	4,353	220,396	5,621	1,456	156	7,233
South Australia	177,720	34,502	1,397	213,619	5,814	1,084	54	6,952
Western Australia	128,004	35,819	1,360	165,783	4,172	1,100	60	5,332
Tasmania	90,463	7,004	224	97,691	3,030	232	7	3,269
Total	1,379,019	288,392	21,537	1,688,948	45,004	9,246	772	55,022

(a) Payable in dollars. For the purpose of this table dollars have been converted on the basis of \$4.8665 to £1. (b) The total "face" or "book" value of the State public debt leaving out of account differences in currency. (c) Nominal amount of interest payable—takes no account of exchange.

(TABLES ON THIS PAGE ARE PREPARED FROM INFORMATION PUBLISHED IN THE MONTHLY STATEMENTS ISSUED BY EACH TREASURY.)

REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE.

(£'000.)

Particulars.	N.S.W. (a)	Vic.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Six States.	Common- wealth.	Grand Total. (b)
THREE MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER, 1953.									
Revenue—									
Commonwealth Payments ..	11,521	7,169	4,613	4,145	4,339	1,360	33,147	..	..
Taxation ..	5,026	3,351	1,785	1,170	670	744	12,746	181,030	..
Business Undertakings—									
Railways ..	17,596	7,797	7,598	3,304	2,272	..	38,567	799	..
Other ..	3,300	99	..	640	1,004	..	5,043	17,356	..
Other ..	3,836	1,486	1,731	909	1,227	607	9,796	7,505	..
Total ..	41,279	19,902	15,727	10,168	9,512	2,711	99,299	206,690	271,259
Expenditure—									
Payments to States (c) ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	38,975	..
Debt Services ..	4,465	3,501	2,510	2,133	1,602	755	14,966	17,725	..
Business Undertakings (d)—									
Railways ..	16,458	8,437	6,729	3,670	3,425	(e) 550	39,269	712	..
Other ..	3,465	176	..	805	794	..	5,240	16,525	..
Other ..	16,290	11,821	6,976	4,342	4,481	1,870	45,780	134,122	..
Total ..	40,678	23,935	16,215	10,950	10,302	3,175	105,255	208,059	278,584
Surplus (+) or Deficit (—) ..	+601	—4,033	—488	—782	—790	—464	—5,956	—1,369	—7,325

THREE MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER, 1954.

Revenue—									
Commonwealth Payments ..	12,537	7,946	5,048	3,286	4,332	1,508	34,667	..	..
Taxation ..	5,917	4,985	1,938	1,580	893	660	15,973	181,046	..
Business Undertakings—									
Railways ..	17,930	8,469	8,508	3,311	3,141	..	41,359	629	..
Other ..	3,497	111	..	714	960	..	5,282	18,234	..
Other ..	3,974	1,539	1,779	1,016	1,318	758	10,384	9,432	..
Total ..	43,855	23,050	17,273	9,907	10,644	2,926	107,665	209,391	280,901
Expenditure—									
Payments to States (c) ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	40,541	..
Debt Services ..	4,659	3,733	2,334	2,275	1,788	844	15,633	16,568	..
Business Undertakings (d)									
Railways ..	16,930	8,741	6,971	3,671	3,463	(e) 508	40,284	706	..
Other ..	3,363	150	..	805	840	..	5,158	16,428	..
Other ..	18,064	12,597	7,850	5,118	4,891	2,069	50,589	135,457	..
Total ..	43,016	25,221	17,155	11,869	10,982	3,421	111,664	209,700	285,209
Surplus (+) or Deficit (—) ..	+839	—2,171	+118	—1,962	—338	—495	—3,999	—309	—4,308

(a) Excludes Main Roads Department, Road Transport and Traffic Fund, and recoups of interest, &c., from undertakings outside the Budget. (b) To avoid duplication in aggregating particulars for the Commonwealth and States, the grand totals exclude payments by the Commonwealth to the States of compensation in respect of uniform taxation, special financial assistance, interest on States' debts, special grants and prices, &c., control reimbursement grants; also deductions have been made of pay-roll tax payments by State Governments to the Commonwealth Government. (c) Includes payments to State trust funds. (d) Excludes interest, &c., charges. (e) Loss by Transport Commission.

NET LOAN EXPENDITURE ON WORKS.

(£'000.)

Three Months Ended September—	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Total Six States.	Common- wealth. (a)	Grand Total.
1953	5,294	6,190	2,495	2,708	2,811	848	20,346	7,107	27,453
1954	7,048	5,727	2,504	3,479	2,879	3,581	25,218	4,756	29,974

(a) Excludes payment to National Debt Sinking Fund on account of the International Bank Dollar Loan and payment to Swiss Loan Trust Account on account of Swiss Loan.

TAXATION.—COMMONWEALTH AND STATE, 1953-54.(a)
(£'000.)

State, &c.	Customs and Excise.	Income Taxes.	Land Tax.	Probate and Succession Duties.	Other Stamp Duties (n.e.i.).	Motor Taxes.	Entertainments (including Racing).	All other Taxes.	Total Taxes.
New South Wales ..	..	33	2	8,014	5,645	10,645	2,890	2,520	29,749
Victoria ..	..	27	2,016	5,387	3,685	5,883	3,107	2,195	22,300
Queensland ..	..	21	1,080	2,353	2,548	4,806	297	1,712	12,817
South Australia ..	..	4	568	1,593	1,040	2,468	1,087	151	6,911
Western Australia ..	..	7	297	877	1,197	1,338	586	380	4,682
Tasmania ..	..	..	175	476	428	737	259	1,683	3,758
Total States ..	..	92	4,138	18,700	14,543	25,877	8,226	8,641	80,217
Commonwealth ..	220,217	528,181	221	9,825	..	..	1,977	140,029	900,450
Grand Total ..	220,217	528,273	4,359	28,525	14,543	25,877	10,203	148,670	980,667

PER HEAD OF POPULATION.
(£ s. d.)

New South Wales ..	..	0 0 2	..	2 7 1	1 13 2	3 2 6	0 17 0	0 14 9	8 14 8
Victoria ..	..	0 0 3	0 16 8	2 4 6	1 10 6	2 8 7	1 5 8	0 18 2	9 4 4
Queensland ..	..	0 0 4	0 16 7	1 16 2	1 19 2	3 14 0	0 4 7	1 6 4	9 17 2
South Australia ..	..	0 0 1	0 14 5	2 0 6	1 6 5	3 2 9	1 7 8	0 3 10	8 15 8
Western Australia ..	..	0 0 3	0 9 5	1 7 10	1 18 0	2 2 5	0 18 7	0 12 0	7 8 6
Tasmania ..	..	..	0 11 4	1 10 9	1 7 8	2 7 8	0 16 9	5 8 8	12 2 10
Total States ..	..	0 0 3	0 9 4	2 2 3	1 12 11	2 18 5	0 18 6	0 19 6	9 1 2
Commonwealth ..	24 14 10	59 6 10	0 0 6	1 2 1	..	..	0 4 5	15 14 8	101 3 4
Grand Total ..	24 14 10	59 7 0	0 9 10	3 4 1	1 12 8	2 18 1	1 2 11	16 14 2	110 3 7

(a) Includes taxes paid to special funds. The collections have been grouped according to the nature of the tax rather than the method of collection. See page 54 for details of Commonwealth Taxation. (b) Includes Sales Tax, £95,689,000, £10 15s. 0d. per head of population; and Pay-roll Tax, £40,384,000, £4 10s. 9d. per head of population.

TAXATION.—COMMONWEALTH AND STATE.
(£'000.)

Year.	Taxation by Commonwealth Government.					Taxation by State Governments.	Total Taxation.
	Customs and Excise.	Income Taxes.	Sales Tax.	Other.	Total.		
1938-39 ..	47,633	11,883	9,308	5,287	74,111	50,507	124,618
1950-51 ..	165,004	(a) 451,488	57,173	103,522	777,187	51,762	828,949
1951-52 ..	213,917	(a) 551,142	95,459	73,493	934,011	63,010	997,021
1952-53 ..	183,824	(a) 554,737	89,067	67,836	895,464	70,987	966,451
1953-54 ..	220,217	(a) 528,181	95,689	56,363	900,450	80,217	980,667

PER HEAD OF POPULATION.
(£ s. d.)

1938-39 ..	6 17 5	1 14 3	1 6 10	0 15 3	10 13 9	7 6 1	17 19 5
1950-51 ..	19 17 0	(a) 54 6 5	6 17 7	12 9 2	93 10 2	6 5 1	99 14 9
1951-52 ..	25 1 0	(a) 64 10 10	11 3 7	8 12 1	109 7 6	7 8 3	116 15 1
1952-53 ..	21 0 4	(a) 63 8 4	10 3 8	7 15 1	102 7 5	8 3 1	110 9 9
1953-54 ..	24 14 10	(a) 59 6 10	10 15 0	6 6 8	101 3 4	9 1 2	110 3 7

(a) Includes Wool Deduction—1950-51, £109,531,000 (£13 3s. 7d. per head); 1951-52, £5,963,000 (14s. 0d. per head); 1952-53, —£2,223,000 (—5s. 1d. per head); and 1953-54, —£239,000 (—6d. per head).

TAXATION.—COMMONWEALTH REIMBURSEMENTS TO STATES AND STATE COLLECTIONS, 1953-54.

Particulars.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Total.
	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
Commonwealth Tax Reimbursement ..	47,733	29,352	19,257	10,384	9,623	4,066	120,415
State Tax Collections ..	29,749	22,300	12,817	6,911	4,682	3,758	80,217
Total ..	77,482	51,652	32,074	17,295	14,305	7,824	200,632
Per head of population	£ s. d. 22 15 0	£ s. d. 21 6 4	£ s. d. 24 13 3	£ s. d. 22 0 0	£ s. d. 22 13 8	£ s. d. 25 5 8	£ s. d. 22 13 2

COMMONWEALTH AND STATE PUBLIC DEBT.

Particulars.	Where Redeemable or Payable.	At 30th June—				
		1939.	1951.	1952.	1953.	1954.
TOTAL DEBT. (£'000.)						
Commonwealth—						
War (1914-18)	Australia £A.	175,194	149,027	148,561	144,799	138,430
	London £Stg.(a)	11,020	8,333	7,534	7,534	7,534
War (1939-45)	Australia £A.	..	1,499,401	1,479,140	1,467,002	1,458,992
	London £Stg.	..	5,775	5,775	5,775	5,775
Works, &c. ..	Australia £A.	43,303	122,261	149,236	176,842	209,587
	London £Stg.	72,097	49,969	50,434	50,071	49,478
	New York £(b)	15,913	17,383	28,139	36,192	41,933
	Switzerland(c)	..	..	..	..	6,126
Total ..	Australia £A.	218,497	1,770,689	1,776,937	1,788,643	1,807,009
	London £Stg.	83,117	64,077	63,743	63,380	62,787
	New York £(b)	15,913	17,383	28,139	36,192	41,933
	Switzerland(c)	..	..	..	..	6,126
Total(d) ..	..	317,527	1,852,149	1,868,819	1,888,215	1,917,855
State ..	Australia £A.	485,179	893,611	1,081,589	1,230,404	1,379,019
	London £Stg.	384,323	290,516	290,095	289,493	288,392
	New York £(b)	28,265	24,211	23,992	23,751	21,537
Total(d) ..	..	897,772	1,208,338	1,395,676	1,543,648	1,688,948
Grand Total ..	Australia £A.	703,676	2,664,300	2,858,526	3,019,047	3,186,028
	London £Stg.	467,445	354,593	353,838	352,873	351,179
	New York £(b)	44,178	41,594	52,131	59,943	63,470
	Switzerland(c)	..	..	..	..	6,126
Total(d) ..	..	1,215,299	3,060,487	3,264,495	3,431,863	3,606,803

DEBT PER HEAD OF POPULATION.

(£ s. d.)

Grand Total ..	Australia £A.	100 19 10	315 19 11	330 10 5	341 18 7	354 13 3
	London £Stg.	67 1 8	42 1 2	40 18 3	39 19 4	39 1 10
	New York £(b)	6 6 10	4 18 8	6 0 7	6 15 9	7 1 4
	Switzerland(c)	..	..	..	..	0 13 8
Total(d) ..	..	174 8 4	362 19 9	377 9 3	388 13 8	401 10 1

ANNUAL INTEREST PAYABLE.

(£'000.)

Grand Total, Commonwealth and State ..	Australia £A.	25,585	73,617	77,946	86,576	94,924
	London £Stg.(a)	18,366	11,169	11,267	11,355	11,353
	New York £(b)	2,219	1,658	2,108	2,453	2,599
	Switzerland(c)	..	..	..	..	245
Total(e) ..	..	46,170	86,444	91,321	100,384	109,121

AVERAGE RATES OF INTEREST PAYABLE PER CENT.

(£ s. d.)

Commonwealth and State ..	Australia ..	3 12 9	2 15 4	2 14 6	2 17 4	2 19 7
	London(a) ..	3 18 7	3 3 0	3 3 8	3 4 4	3 4 8
	New York ..	5 0 6	3 19 9	4 0 10	4 1 10	4 1 11
	Switzerland ..	..	..	..	..	4 0 0
Total ..	..	3 16 0	2 16 6	2 16 0	2 18 6	3 0 6

(a) Excludes debt (£79,724,000) and interest payable (£3,920,000) due to United Kingdom Government under the Funding Arrangements Act 1921. Repayment of this debt and payment of interest were suspended in 1931 by arrangement with the United Kingdom Government. (b) Payable in dollars. For the purpose of this table, dollars have been converted on the basis of \$4.8665 to £1. (c) Payable in Swiss francs converted on the basis of 9.79512 fr. to £1. (d) The total "face" or "book" values of the public debt of the Commonwealth and States, without adjustment on account of differences in currency (see note (b)). (e) Nominal amount, taking no account of exchange.

COMMONWEALTH AND STATE SHORT-TERM DEBT.(a)

(£'000.)

Debt.	Where Redeemable.	At 30th June—					At 30th Sept- ember, 1954.
		1950.	1951.	1952.	1953.	1954.	
Commonwealth ..	Australia £A. ..	108,280	108,280	153,280	225,000	190,000	185,000
	London £Stg. ..	1,470	1,220	970	720	470	470
State ..	Australia £A. ..	..	2,400	..	..	..	..
	London £Stg. ..	22,868	22,868	22,868	22,868	22,868	22,868
Total ..	Australia £A. ..	108,280	110,680	153,280	225,000	190,000	185,000
	London £Stg. ..	24,338	24,088	23,838	23,588	23,338	23,388

(a) Included above; excludes Overdrafts and Internal Treasury Bills.

Section VII.—Social Statistics.
COMMONWEALTH EXPENDITURE ON SOCIAL AND HEALTH SERVICES.
 (£'000.)

Social and Health Services.	1938-39.	1951-52.	1952-53.	1953-54.	Three Months ended September—	
					1953.	1954.
Social Benefits—						
Age and Invalid Pensions..	15,992	59,788	72,424	81,293	18,864	22,565
Child Endowment .. ..	..	46,625	53,244	50,761	11,950	13,637
Community Rehabilitation ..	..	361	454	429	108	114
Funeral Benefits .. ..	..	276	270	288	85	91
Maternity Allowances	436	3,157	3,248	3,226	817	850
Unemployment and Sickness Benefits .. ..	..	1,008	6,255	4,543	1,554	719
Widows' Pensions .. ..	..	5,615	6,334	6,626	1,465	1,590
National Health Services—						
Hospital Benefits .. ..	..	6,683	7,223	8,330	1,711	2,582
Medical Benefits .. ..	..	..	..	1,434	15	865
Medical Benefits for Pensioners .. ..	..	1,036	1,740	2,115	548	685
Nutrition for Children .. ..	..	815	1,521	1,999	315	298
Pharmaceutical Benefits .. ..	..	7,327	6,487	8,219	1,710	2,036
Pharmaceutical Benefits for Pensioners .. ..	..	358	729	1,011	220	309
Miscellaneous .. ..	..	162	183	216	47	49
Mental Institution Benefits..	..	518	523	495	123	121
Tuberculosis Campaign(a) ..	..	3,879	4,876	5,580	416	515
Total	16,428	137,608	165,511	176,565	39,948	47,026

(a) Includes allowances and reimbursements to States for maintenance of hospitals.

COMMONWEALTH AGE AND INVALID PENSIONS.

State and Year.	Number of Pensioners at 30th June.			Number per 10,000 of Population.		Average Fortnightly Pension at 30th June.		Pensions Paid during Year. (a)	
	Age.	Invalid.	Total Age and Invalid.	Age.	Inva- lid.	Age.	Inva- lid.	Amount.	Per Head of Popn.
						£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£'000.	£ s. d.
1953-54.									
New South Wales(b)	164,706	35,611	200,317	477	103	6 14 2	6 17 11	34,042	9 14 7
Victoria ..	98,210	15,882	114,092	401	65	6 14 8	6 14 8	19,978	8 5 8
Queensland ..	58,361	11,022	69,383	443	84	6 14 6	6 17 2	12,017	9 8 10
South Australia(c) ..	36,353	4,511	40,864	446	55	6 13 6	6 16 10	7,075	9 0 9
Western Australia ..	27,248	4,101	31,349	426	64	6 14 0	6 16 7	5,375	8 9 11
Tasmania ..	12,906	2,605	15,511	418	84	6 9 10	6 14 1	2,794	8 16 7
Abroad ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	12	..
Australia ..	397,784	73,732	471,516	443	82	6 14 2	6 16 10	81,293	9 2 4
1952-53 ..	374,791	70,232	445,023	424	80	6 8 4	6 10 11	72,424	8 5 7
1951-52 ..	352,049	67,963	420,012	407	79	5 14 2	5 16 4	59,788	7 0 0
1950-51 ..	342,806	68,918	411,724	407	82	4 15 5	4 16 8	49,520	5 19 2
1949-50 ..	334,923	73,494	408,417	409	90	4 0 10	4 2 0	44,557	5 10 8
1938-39 ..	232,836	88,812	321,648	335	128	(d)	(d)	15,992	2 6 2

(a) Includes amounts paid to Benevolent Homes for maintenance of pensioners and to pensioner inmates of these homes and from year 1943-44 includes allowances to wives of invalid pensioners. (b) Includes Australian Capital Territory. (c) Includes Northern Territory. (d) Combined rate 38s. 5d.

NOTE.—The Commonwealth Government commenced to pay age pensions on 1st July, 1909, and invalid pensions on 15th December, 1910. Age pensions are payable to women of 60 years and over, and to men of 65 years and over, who are natural-born or naturalized British subjects with residence for at least 20 years in Australia or Australian Territory. Invalid pensions are payable after five years' residence in Australia to natural-born or naturalized persons of sixteen years or over who are permanently incapacitated for work or are permanently blind and have become so in Australia. Fortnightly rate £7 from 29th October, 1953. These pensions are subject to income and property qualifications.

COMMONWEALTH CHILD ENDOWMENT.

State, etc. and Year.	Endowed Families at 30th June.		Number per 10,000 of Population.		Amount paid during Year.	
	Claims in Force.	Endowed Children. (a)	Claims.	Endowed Children. (a)	Amount.	Per Head of Population.
	No.	No.			£'000.	£ s. d.
1953-54.						
New South Wales(b)	501,272	1,031,898	1,451	2,987	19,138	5 9 5
Victoria ..	339,022	699,220	1,384	2,855	13,165	5 9 2
Queensland ..	183,726	407,970	1,394	3,096	8,003	6 5 9
South Australia(c) ..	117,644	245,973	1,445	3,021	4,577	5 16 11
Western Australia ..	93,117	202,098	1,456	3,160	3,883	6 2 9
Tasmania ..	45,246	101,540	1,465	3,288	1,989	6 5 8
Abroad ..	412	878	..	..	6	..
Total 1953-54	1,280,439	2,689,577	1,425	2,994	50,761	5 13 10
1952-53 ..	1,246,986	2,599,026	1,412	2,943	53,244	6 1 9
1951-52 ..	1,205,421	2,493,246	1,394	2,883	46,625	5 9 2
1950-51 ..	1,150,847	2,365,177	1,365	2,805	43,585	5 4 11
1949-50 ..	662,949	1,813,925	810	2,216	30,337	3 15 5

(a) Excludes endowed children in approved institutions at 30th June, 1954, 27,397 in 387 institutions; 1953, 24,951 in 376 institutions; 1952, 24,623 in 379 institutions; 1951, 23,753 in 370 institutions; 1950, 22,397 in 375 institutions. (b) Includes Australian Capital Territory. (c) Includes Northern Territory.

NOTE.—From 1st July, 1941, the scheme provided for payment of 5s. per week (increased to 7s. 6d. per week from 26th June, 1945, and to 10s. per week from 9th November, 1948) for each child in excess of one under sixteen years of age maintained in a family, and for each child under sixteen years of age in an approved institution.

From 20th June, 1950, the rate of endowment payable has been (i) where the endowee has the custody of one child only—5s. per week; (ii) where the endowee has the custody of two or more children—in respect of the elder or eldest child 5s. per week and in respect of each other child 10s. per week; and (iii) for each child in an approved institution 10s. per week.

COMMONWEALTH WIDOWS' PENSIONS.(a)

State and Year.	Pensions Current at 30th June.(a)		Number of Children for whom Pensions Payable at 30th June.	Average Fort- nightly Rate of Pension.	Pensions paid during Year.	
	Number.	Per 10,000 of Popula- tion.			Amount.	Per Head of Popula- tion.
					£'000.	s. d.
1953-54.						
New South Wales(b)	16,675	48	7,844	6 8 0	2,767	15 10
Victoria ..	9,827	40	3,853	6 5 3	1,567	13 0
Queensland ..	6,943	53	3,242	6 7 6	1,119	17 7
South Australia(c) ..	3,157	39	1,339	6 4 9	506	12 11
Western Australia ..	2,753	43	1,106	6 4 0	435	13 9
Tasmania ..	1,371	44	716	6 5 0	231	14 7
Abroad ..	..	..	..	..	1	..
Australia ..	40,726	45	18,100	6 6 8	6,626	14 10
1952-53 ..	41,028	46	17,980	6 0 0	6,334	14 6
1951-52 ..	40,758	47	17,424	5 8 2	5,615	13 2
1950-51 ..	41,962	50	17,717	4 10 10	4,828	11 7
1949-50 ..	42,894	52	17,760	3 19 3	4,421	11 0

(a) Excludes sixteen (1953-54), sixteen (1952-53), eleven (1951-52), nine (1950-51), and fourteen (1949-50) pensions in respect of pensioners in Benevolent Homes. (b) Includes Australian Capital Territory. (c) Includes Northern Territory.

NOTE.—The Commonwealth Government commenced to pay Widows' Pensions from 1st July, 1942. Provision is made for payment of pensions subject to income and property qualifications, to the following classes of women:—"A" Class—a widow who has one or more children under 16 years of age—£3 15s. per week; "B" Class—a widow not less than 50 years of age and without children under 16 years of age—£2 17s. 6d. per week; "C" Class—a widow without children and in necessitous circumstances—£2 17s. 6d. per week for 26 weeks after husband's death, or for approximately 39 weeks in certain cases; and "D" Class—a woman whose husband has been in prison for over six months, maintaining children under 16 years of age or who is not less than 50 years of age—£2 17s. 6d. per week. Rates are as from 3rd November, 1953.

COMMONWEALTH MATERNITY ALLOWANCES.

Year.	N.S.W. (a)	Vic.	Q'land.	S.A. (b)	W.A.	Tas.	Overseas.	Australia.
NUMBER OF CLAIMS PAID.								
1938-39 ..	30,860	20,819	12,880	7,204	5,213	3,940	..	80,916
1949-50 ..	73,566	49,035	28,652	17,273	13,759	7,408	40	189,733
1950-51 ..	72,003	50,210	29,155	17,864	14,986	7,250	119	191,587
1951-52 ..	72,688	52,144	30,737	17,380	15,074	7,626	73	195,722
1952-53 ..	74,011	55,297	31,058	19,068	15,535	7,983	90	203,042
1953-54 ..	72,380	54,219	30,889	18,749	15,803	7,726	48	199,814

AMOUNT PAID. (£.)								
1938-39 ..	167,710	110,219	70,723	37,860	28,338	21,764	..	436,614
1949-50 ..	1,155,379	777,920	459,130	275,091	219,741	119,712	933	3,007,906
1950-51 ..	1,149,164	807,030	467,673	276,509	239,343	116,465	1,335	3,057,510
1951-52 ..	1,182,358	835,643	489,751	283,702	241,426	122,618	1,494	3,156,992
1952-53 ..	1,195,046	872,085	496,982	305,264	248,925	128,125	1,878	3,248,305
1953-54 ..	1,173,058	874,376	496,802	301,146	253,442	125,400	1,695	3,225,919

(a) Includes Australian Capital Territory.

(b) Includes Northern Territory.

NOTE.—The Maternity Allowance Act came into force on 10th October, 1912. From 1st July, 1947, the allowances payable have been as follows: (i) no other children under 16 years, £15; (ii) one or two other children under 16 years, £16; (iii) three or more other children under 16 years, £17 10s. Where more than one child is born at a birth the allowance is increased by £5 in respect of each additional child born at that birth. From 1st July, 1943, the means test was abolished.

UNEMPLOYMENT AND SICKNESS BENEFITS PAID.(a)

(For particulars of persons on benefit *see* page 91.)

(£.)

Period.	N.S.W. (b)	Vic.	Q'land.	S.A. (c)	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Aust.
UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFIT.									
1949-50 ..	1,064,698	6,666	141,446	33,089	18,163	2,010	..	..	1,266,072
1950-51 ..	25,324	7,731	22,485	350	5,360	1,194	..	..	62,444
1951-52 ..	55,135	11,215	114,226	1,025	4,374	1,036	..	..	187,011
1952-53 ..	2,686,297	923,732	662,099	132,042	123,732	41,845	..	..	4,569,747
1953-54 ..	1,247,216	507,676	581,865	50,213	75,904	42,589	..	..	2,505,463
Quarter ended—									
September, 1953	551,174	253,450	135,608	26,933	32,813	18,416	..	..	1,018,394
December, ..	336,176	141,690	115,808	12,409	19,132	14,762	..	..	639,977
March, 1954	225,175	59,869	204,773	6,929	14,213	4,687	..	..	515,646
June, ..	134,691	52,667	125,676	3,942	9,746	4,724	..	..	331,446
September, ..	102,468	40,295	51,475	4,042	7,668	5,177	7	92	211,224

SICKNESS BENEFIT.

1949-50 ..	307,315	217,782	111,840	83,826	58,323	36,028	..	..	816,014
1950-51 ..	296,418	197,719	96,540	70,770	53,911	30,358	..	..	745,716
1951-52 ..	262,244	181,117	123,075	70,482	48,691	24,278	..	..	709,887
1952-53 ..	546,432	370,354	208,889	133,783	84,682	49,154	..	..	1,393,294
1953-54 ..	697,949	405,414	257,633	153,042	106,836	54,719	..	..	1,675,593
Quarter ended—									
September, 1953	173,892	120,700	62,265	39,310	28,806	14,880	..	..	439,853
December, ..	188,598	122,097	72,444	35,947	26,528	15,110	..	..	480,724
March, 1954	168,613	63,435	86,833	37,572	26,140	10,940	..	..	395,535
June, ..	166,846	99,182	36,091	40,213	25,362	13,789	..	..	381,485
September, ..	192,440	96,474	53,790	33,111	25,711	12,096	287	560	415,369

(a) In addition £424,338 (Australian total) was paid in Special Benefits during 1949-50; £229,053 during 1950-51; £110,759 during 1951-52; £292,431 during 1952-53; and £362,398 during 1953-54. Amounts paid to migrants are also included. (b) Includes Australian Capital Territory to June, 1954. (c) Includes Northern Territory to June, 1954.

NOTE.—The Social Services Act 1947-1954 provides for the payment of benefit to persons whose normal earnings have been interrupted through unemployment or sickness. The rate of benefit per week is £2 10s. for a married person or an unmarried adult, plus £2 for dependent spouse and 5s. for a dependent child. For unmarried juveniles the rate of benefits is £1 10s. if under 18 years and £2 if 18 and under 21 years and 5s. for a dependent child. In certain cases £2 per week may be paid in respect of claimant's housekeeper. Rates operated from 22nd September, 1952. For unemployment benefit, allowable income means income of claimant and spouse; for sickness benefit, allowable income means income of claimant only, but excludes amounts of up to £2 per week from an approved Friendly Society. The permissible benefit income varies from 5s. for persons over 16 years of age to 20s. for adults and married persons.

AUSTRALIAN WAR AND SERVICE PENSIONS.

(i) War Pensions.

Place of Payment and Year.	Number of War Pensions Current at 30th June.				Average Fortnightly Rate of Pensions.			Expenditure during Year.
	Incapacitated Members of Forces.	Dependents of Incapacitated Members of Forces.	Dependents of Deceased Members of Forces.	Total.	Incapacitated Members of Forces.	Dependents of Deceased and Incapacitated Members of Forces.	All War Pensioners.	
					£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£'000.
1953-54.								
New South Wales(a)	67,866	109,757	16,900	194,023	4 5 0	1 11 11	2 10 4	12,578
Victoria ..	54,213	86,456	13,941	154,610	4 7 5	1 13 4	2 12 5	10,601
Queensland ..	24,184	43,018	5,177	72,379	4 9 10	1 8 10	2 9 2	4,591
South Australia(b)	18,775	36,315	3,953	59,043	4 7 3	1 8 7	2 7 3	3,584
Western Australia	17,878	31,579	3,895	53,352	3 17 3	1 7 10	2 4 5	3,087
Tasmania ..	7,976	15,290	1,669	24,935	5 6 8	1 11 2	2 15 4	1,820
United Kingdom	1,426	1,718	1,279	4,423	4 17 0	3 8 0	3 17 4	406
Elsewhere ..	385	381	185	901	4 1 10	2 9 5	3 3 4	130
Total ..	192,203	324,514	46,949	563,666	4 6 9	1 11 5	2 10 4	36,797
1952-53..	188,395	308,757	46,822	543,974	4 1 1	1 11 1	2 8 5	34,356
1951-52..	184,848	292,952	47,015	524,815	3 13 4	1 8 9	2 4 6	31,845
1950-51..	180,836	274,654	47,185	502,675	3 6 4	1 9 1	2 2 6	26,192
1949-50..	174,544	249,554	47,158	471,256	2 10 4	1 4 2	1 13 10	20,864
1938-39..	77,151	144,571	27,571	249,293	1 19 10	0 16 6	1 3 8	7,819

(a) Includes Australian Capital Territory.

(b) Includes Northern Territory.

(ii) Service Pensions.

State of Payment and Year.	Number of Service Pensions Current at 30th June.					Total.	Average Fortnightly Rate of Pensions.	Expenditure during Year.
	Aged Members of Forces.	Permanently Unemployable.		Sufferers from Pulmonary Tuberculosis.				
		Members of Forces.	Dependents.	Members of Forces.	Dependents.			
							£ s. d.	£'000.
1953-54.								
New South Wales(a)	3,863	1,603	1,610	164	236	7,476	5 4 9	978
Victoria ..	1,961	1,290	1,228	57	90	4,626	5 2 11	602
Queensland ..	1,666	935	852	38	45	3,536	5 8 5	467
South Australia(b)	773	590	565	24	44	1,996	5 2 8	259
Western Australia	1,159	661	593	31	24	2,468	5 2 0	303
Tasmania ..	226	215	244	7	12	704	4 16 1	86
Australia ..	9,648	5,294	5,092	321	451	20,806	5 4 2	2,695
1952-53 ..	8,703	4,971	4,780	291	432	19,177	4 16 6	2,225
1951-52 ..	7,587	4,561	4,270	269	389	17,076	4 6 9	1,778
1950-51 ..	7,456	4,492	3,911	279	374	16,512	3 13 11	1,507
1949-50 ..	7,448	4,608	3,598	299	385	16,338	3 7 6	1,432
1938-39 ..	3,397	3,393	4,667	619	1,032	13,108	1 5 10	407

(a) Includes Australian Capital Territory.

(b) Includes Northern Territory.

GOVERNMENT AND NON-GOVERNMENT SCHOOLS.
(Number.)

State or Territory and Year.	Schools.	Teachers.	Scholars.	
			Average Weekly Enrolment.	Average Daily Attendance.

GOVERNMENT SCHOOLS.

1952.

New South Wales(a)	..	2,530	14,169	424,152	376,098
Victoria ..	..	2,013	9,842	264,869	238,798
Queensland ..	..	1,571	6,144	(b) 174,837	154,666
South Australia ..	..	682	3,756	100,379	91,815
Western Australia ..	..	500	2,726	76,874	71,654
Tasmania ..	..	315	1,717	45,422	41,824
Northern Territory(c)	..	9	53	1,457	1,216
Australia ..	..	7,620	38,407	1,087,990	976,071
1951 ..	..	7,648	36,740	1,012,874	899,514
1950 ..	..	7,790	36,085	958,112	844,123
1949 ..	..	7,874	34,090	917,256	810,800
1948 ..	..	7,971	33,287	869,861	770,554
1939 ..	..	9,940	31,199	859,663	744,095

NON-GOVERNMENT SCHOOLS.(d)

1952.

New South Wales(a)	..	750	6,014	138,306	124,450
Victoria ..	..	478	3,353	103,297	(e) 93,587
Queensland ..	..	274	1,957	49,491	45,588
South Australia ..	..	146	1,020	22,393	20,334
Western Australia ..	..	217	940	24,364	22,792
Tasmania ..	..	59	418	9,594	8,710
Northern Territory(c)	..	2	12	386	335
Australia ..	..	1,926	13,714	347,831	315,796
1951 ..	..	1,890	13,251	326,258	293,429
1950 ..	..	1,870	12,909	309,673	275,562
1949 ..	..	1,843	12,526	293,306	264,164
1948 ..	..	1,835	12,408	281,354	251,092
1939 ..	..	1,863	11,496	250,860	219,171

(a) Includes Australian Capital Territory. (b) Enrolments at 1st August, 1952.
30th June, 1953. (d) Includes all schools not wholly under Government control.

(e) Year ended
(e) Estimated

UNIVERSITIES.

University or College and Year.	Teaching Staff.		Students Enrolled.	Degrees Conferred.	Total Income. (a)	Total Expenditure. (a)
	Full-time.	Part-time.				
	No.	No.	No.	No.	£	£
1953.						
Sydney	458	406	6,918	1,664	1,703,142	1,660,405
Melbourne	393	200	7,028	1,063	1,587,510	1,552,132
Queensland (Brisbane) ..	239	206	3,735	417	847,915	830,629
Adelaide	160	106	4,110	364	738,869	724,735
Western Australia (Perth)	115	37	1,732	253	565,314	548,930
Tasmania (Hobart) ..	72	14	664	101	249,277	242,383
N.S.W. University of Technology (Sydney) ..	243	333	4,044	64	1,237,906	1,237,906
New England University College (Armidale, N.S.W.)	46	19	242	..	181,262	180,854
Canberra University College	24	20	319	..	84,737	89,742
Australia	1,750	1,341	28,792	3,926	7,195,932	7,067,716
1952	1,680	1,318	29,641	4,304	7,101,330	6,865,346
1951	1,549	1,533	31,671	4,498	5,720,060	5,352,421
1950	1,298	1,090	30,630	4,506	3,756,978	3,746,602
1949	1,210	1,182	31,753	3,607	3,134,794	3,298,102
1939	609	675	14,236	1,802	989,791	974,394

(a) Since 1952 the finances relate to income and expenditure (including capital items). Prior to 1952 the figures were as presented by each university on a receipts (or income) and payments (or expenditure) basis (excluding capital items) and are not suitable for the construction of a profit and loss statement or revenue account, or for ascertaining the surplus or deficit for the year. In several cases Government subsidies relating to expenditure made in earlier years have been included in revenue.

NOTE.—In addition, the Australian National University, Canberra, A.C.T. (a Post-Graduate Research University), had in 1953 a teaching staff of 100, with 46 Post-graduate scholars. In 1953 the income was £1,670,439 and the expenditure was £1,530,599 (see Note (a)).

POLICE AND PRISONS.

(Number.)

State or Territory and Year.	Police.	Prisons.	Prisoners at end of Period.
1952.			
New South Wales	4,688	(a) 15	(a) 2,135
Victoria	2,992	9	1,248
Queensland(a)	2,449	7	538
South Australia	(a) 1,091	16	437
Western Australia(a) ..	929	19	374
Tasmania(a)	418	2	154
Northern Territory(a) ..	50	2	44
Australian Capital Territory	60	..	..
Australia	12,677	70	4,930
1951	12,318	69	4,444
1950	11,677	71	4,089
1949	11,238	71	3,982
1948	10,850	72	3,680
1939	9,566	74	3,336

(a) Year ended 30th June, 1953.

PUBLIC HOSPITALS.

State or Territory and Year.	Hos- pitals.	Beds. (a)	Staff.		In- patients Treated. (b)	Revenue. (c)	Expendi- ture. (c)
			Medi- cal.	Nurs- ing.			
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	£'000.	£'000.
1952-53.							
New South Wales	261	19,105	3,768	10,061	394,509	19,168	18,159
Victoria ..	110	10,894	1,706	6,088	187,930	12,905	13,413
Queensland ..	140	9,852	684	4,721	184,189	7,523	9,044
South Australia ..	62	3,527	518	1,913	61,681	3,721	3,679
Western Australia	96	4,220	313	2,082	70,646	4,270	4,140
Tasmania ..	22	1,940	216	890	31,688	1,499	1,470
Nor. Territory ..	4	313	13	95	4,910	32	376
Aust. Cap. Terr...	1	225	28	90	4,303	260	260
Total 1952-53	696	50,076	7,246	25,940	939,856	49,378	50,541
1951-52	675	47,328	6,889	24,556	896,020	39,989	43,328
1950-51	664	46,417	6,424	23,055	867,721	31,440	32,582
1949-50	648	45,559	5,917	22,235	823,395	24,944	26,205
1948-49	624	44,515	5,471	21,245	730,009	19,465	20,661
1938-39	563	35,711	4,059	13,582	552,051	6,342	6,351

(a) Includes particulars, where available, of a considerable number of beds and cots for certain classes of cases in outdoor or verandah sleeping places.

(b) Newborn are excluded. Out-patient cases treated at public hospitals during 1952-53 were as follows:—New South Wales, 1,084,875; Victoria, 431,981; Queensland, 736,786; South Australia, 112,339; Western Australia, 109,114 (estimated); Tasmania, 84,094; Northern Territory, 45,765; and Australian Capital Territory, 8,188; Australia, 2,643,042.

(c) Excludes Loan Receipts and Expenditure for New South Wales.

MENTAL HOSPITALS.

State and Year.	Hos- pitals.	Beds.	Staff.		Patients at end of Year.	Revenue.	Expendi- ture.
			Medi- cal.	Nurs- ing.			
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	£'000.	£'000.
1952-53.							
New South Wales	13	12,471	(a) 66	1,923	12,979	509	3,951
Victoria(b) ..	9	6,716	53	1,571	7,707	(c) 167	(c) 3,638
Queensland(d) ..	4	4,558	11	790	4,554	16	1,365
South Australia ..	2	2,536	10	388	2,534	102	882
Western Australia(b)	4	1,495	6	270	1,666	(c) 54	(c) 596
Tasmania ..	1	770	3	190	750	18	282
Australia 1952-53	33	28,546	149	5,132	30,190	866	10,714
1951-52	33	27,537	167	4,985	29,563	861	8,749
1950-51	33	27,512	138	4,826	28,932	812	6,450
1949-50	33	27,397	128	4,694	27,922	725	5,391
1948-49	33	27,272	116	4,487	27,423	594	4,485
1938-39	35	25,654	92	4,922	26,509	263	1,904

(a) In addition there were 41 visiting paid specialists.

(b) Year 1952.

(c) Year 1952-53.

(d) Includes the Epileptic Home.

Section VIII.—Private Finance.

CHEQUE-PAYING BANKS.

Average Liabilities within Australia.(a)
(£'000.)

Period.	Inter- minable Deposits or Deposit Stock.	Deposits.			Notes in Circulation.	Balances due to other Banks. (b)	Bills Payable and all other Li- abilities.	Total Li- abilities.	
		Not Bearing Interest.	Bearing Interest.	Total.					
COMMONWEALTH TRADING BANK OF AUSTRALIA.(c)									
1950-51	89,234	19,405	108,639	..	3,014	7,950	119,603
1951-52	90,595	20,093	110,688	..	2,644	8,524	121,856
1952-53	96,664	22,817	119,481	..	3,820	8,569	131,870
1953-54	120,885	35,352	156,237	..	2,034	11,766	170,037
Quarter ended—									
September, 1953	112,345	30,449	142,794	..	4,251	7,791	154,836
December,	122,719	36,112	158,831	..	3,051	8,368	170,250
March, 1954	121,981	37,291	159,272	..	418	15,470	175,160
June,	127,291	37,994	165,285	..	323	15,479	181,087
September,	125,315	41,011	166,326	..	282	15,042	181,656
Month of—									
July, 1954	125,000	39,883	164,883	..	277	15,075	180,235
August,	123,669	41,016	164,685	..	299	14,964	179,948
September,	126,884	41,911	168,795	..	271	15,079	184,145

PRIVATE TRADING BANKS.

1950-51	729	896,499	247,727	1,144,226	158	50,259	18,240	1,213,612
1951-52	729	963,524	238,217	1,201,741	158	61,527	14,970	1,279,125
1952-53	226	943,747	218,699	1,162,446	158	10,628	14,247	1,187,705
1953-54	14	1,035,707	239,774	1,275,481	158	3,360	14,980	1,293,993
Quarter ended—								
September, 1953	16	966,919	226,233	1,193,152	158	3,324	13,133	1,209,783
December,	15	1,009,540	240,804	1,250,344	158	3,811	16,029	1,270,357
March, 1954	13	1,091,973	244,836	1,336,809	158	3,170	15,574	1,355,724
June,	12	1,077,676	248,341	1,326,017	158	3,176	15,406	1,344,760
September,	11	1,006,671	256,025	1,262,696	158	2,756	14,877	1,280,498
Month of—								
July, 1954	12	1,017,401	254,290	1,271,691	158	2,401	14,752	1,289,014
August,	12	1,003,862	252,879	1,256,741	158	2,533	14,229	1,273,673
September,	10	1,000,333	259,929	1,260,262	158	3,218	15,497	1,279,145

OTHER CHEQUE-PAYING BANKS.

1950-51	20,056	31,947	12,421	44,368	..	194	1,594	66,212
1951-52	19,336	37,445	13,369	50,814	..	504	1,478	72,132
1952-53	19,286	35,848	15,302	51,150	..	622	525	71,583
1953-54	19,734	39,408	15,309	54,717	..	664	454	75,569
Quarter ended—								
September, 1953	19,554	35,592	14,838	50,430	..	403	394	70,781
December,	19,519	35,672	14,750	50,422	..	1,468	473	71,882
March, 1954	19,618	42,754	15,680	58,434	..	428	463	78,943
June,	20,240	43,619	15,962	59,581	..	438	494	80,753
September,	20,444	41,570	15,829	57,399	..	431	382	78,656
Month of—								
July, 1954	20,446	42,138	15,955	58,093	..	467	329	79,335
August,	20,443	41,960	15,660	57,620	..	387	367	78,817
September,	20,442	40,804	15,863	56,667	..	438	436	77,983

ALL-CHEQUE-PAYING BANKS.

1950-51	20,785	1,017,680	279,553	1,297,233	158	53,467	27,784	1,399,427
1951-52	20,065	1,091,564	271,079	1,363,243	158	64,675	24,972	1,473,113
1952-53	19,512	1,076,259	256,818	1,333,077	158	15,070	23,341	1,391,158
1953-54	19,748	1,196,000	290,435	1,486,435	158	6,058	27,200	1,539,599
Quarter ended—								
September, 1953	19,570	1,114,856	271,520	1,386,376	158	7,978	21,318	1,435,400
December,	19,534	1,167,931	291,660	1,459,597	158	8,330	24,870	1,512,489
March, 1954	19,632	1,256,708	297,806	1,554,514	158	4,016	31,507	1,609,827
June,	20,252	1,248,586	302,297	1,550,883	158	3,937	31,379	1,606,609
September,	20,455	1,173,556	312,865	1,486,421	158	3,469	30,301	1,540,504
Month of—								
July, 1954	20,458	1,184,539	310,128	1,494,667	158	3,145	30,156	1,548,584
August,	20,455	1,169,491	309,555	1,479,046	158	3,219	29,560	1,532,438
September,	20,452	1,168,021	317,703	1,485,724	158	3,927	31,012	1,541,273

(a) Averages of liabilities at close of business on weekly balance days in periods.

(b) Includes short term loans from Central Bank.

(c) General Banking Division of Commonwealth Bank prior to 3rd December, 1953.

Cheque-paying Banks—continued.
Average Assets within Australia.(a)
(£'000.)

Period.	Cash and Cash Balances.(b)	Special Account with C'wealth Bank.	Balances with other Banks. (c)	Australian Public Securities.		Other Securities.	Loans, Advances and Bills Discounted.	All other Assets.	Total Assets.
				Treasury Bills.	Other.				
COMMONWEALTH TRADING BANK OF AUSTRALIA.(d)									
1950-51	7,176	..	820	24,049	26,868	..	62,491	2,348	123,752
1951-52	6,581	..	994	26,392	13,274	2	76,407	3,230	126,880
1952-53	8,784	21,731	1,600	17,239	25,840	92	59,492	3,984	138,762
1953-54	11,000	34,800	787	23,404	29,924	1,284	69,204	4,360	174,763
Quarter ended—									
September, 1953 ..	10,901	32,250	663	31,957	18,457	1,223	63,126	3,879	162,456
December,	11,114	32,250	776	26,634	32,136	1,253	68,400	4,290	176,853
March, 1954	10,235	35,435	789	19,484	35,078	1,278	71,729	4,540	178,568
June,	11,767	39,265	931	15,131	35,078	1,383	73,964	4,764	182,283
September,	9,914	38,496	749	10,327	35,826	1,543	83,096	5,024	184,975
Month of—									
July, 1954	9,284	38,600	754	13,312	35,078	1,543	80,928	4,975	184,474
August,	9,826	38,450	697	8,250	35,078	1,542	84,036	5,036	182,915
September,	10,488	38,450	787	9,600	37,022	1,545	84,079	5,054	187,025

PRIVATE TRADING BANKS									
1950-51	59,333	500,317	23,761	36,887	90,244	1,126	479,322	18,988	1,209,978
1951-52	60,589	465,991	29,140	32,402	68,416	1,124	621,435	33,151	1,312,248
1952-53	74,712	211,737	22,580	123,059	86,513	2,313	638,092	29,693	1,188,699
1953-54	71,244	285,226	17,346	99,368	130,306	3,588	658,534	36,549	1,302,161
Quarter ended—									
September, 1953 ..	68,967	279,717	15,892	90,000	119,316	2,278	622,712	31,610	1,230,492
December,	71,773	250,520	16,618	100,750	126,945	3,101	661,233	35,387	1,266,327
March, 1954	75,723	287,345	17,464	136,462	138,707	3,894	658,610	38,610	1,356,815
June,	68,726	295,076	19,464	71,088	136,843	5,146	694,544	40,881	1,357,768
September,	65,329	321,384	16,387	29,112	120,163	4,912	741,563	44,912	1,317,762
Month of—									
July, 1954	65,672	308,416	15,101	33,738	123,598	5,873	724,946	43,237	1,320,581
August,	65,372	291,878	15,017	32,375	127,299	4,705	738,768	44,955	1,313,369
September,	65,022	287,763	18,510	22,800	110,309	4,309	757,092	46,217	1,319,022

OTHER CHEQUE-PAYING BANKS.									
1950-51	4,852	3,271	1,760	3,087	12,375	185	56,604	(e) 4,613	86,747
1951-52	5,104	2,612	1,800	2,925	14,880	111	61,816	5,423	94,671
1952-53	4,640	1,153	2,176	3,911	13,874	149	64,731	3,792	94,426
1953-54	5,091	1,090	2,409	7,326	13,977	432	65,982	3,815	100,122
Quarter ended—									
September, 1953 ..	5,132	1,077	2,502	4,274	13,596	235	64,302	3,353	94,471
December,	4,611	1,072	2,631	3,933	14,007	247	66,907	3,522	96,930
March, 1954	5,693	1,092	2,326	10,314	14,131	344	66,040	3,895	106,835
June,	4,889	1,117	2,187	10,756	14,206	902	66,883	4,500	105,440
September,	4,773	1,117	2,220	6,392	14,333	1,058	69,337	5,002	104,282
Month of—									
July, 1954	4,641	1,117	2,083	7,863	14,163	1,068	68,884	4,760	104,579
August,	4,547	1,117	2,036	6,825	14,407	1,068	69,150	5,101	104,251
September,	5,059	1,117	2,478	4,870	14,410	1,041	69,978	5,115	104,068

ALL CHEQUE-PAYING BANKS.									
1950-51	71,361	503,588	26,341	64,023	129,487	1,311	598,417	25,949	1,420,477
1951-52	72,274	468,603	31,934	61,719	96,570	1,237	759,658	41,604	1,533,799
1952-53	88,136	234,621	26,356	144,209	126,227	2,554	762,315	37,860	1,421,887
1953-54	87,335	321,116	20,542	130,098	174,207	5,304	793,720	44,724	1,577,046
Quarter ended—									
September, 1953 ..	85,000	313,044	19,057	126,231	151,369	3,736	750,140	38,842	1,487,419
December,	87,498	283,842	20,025	131,317	173,088	4,601	796,540	43,190	1,540,110
March, 1954	91,651	323,872	20,579	166,260	187,916	5,516	796,379	47,045	1,639,218
June,	85,382	361,458	22,582	96,975	186,127	7,431	835,391	50,145	1,645,491
September,	80,016	334,997	19,356	45,831	170,322	7,513	894,046	54,938	1,607,019
Month of—									
July, 1954	79,597	348,133	17,938	54,913	172,839	8,484	874,758	52,972	1,609,634
August,	79,745	331,445	17,750	47,450	169,784	7,315	891,954	55,092	1,600,535
September,	80,569	327,330	21,775	37,270	168,741	6,895	911,149	56,386	1,610,115

(a) Averages of assets at close of business on weekly balance days in periods. (b) Coin, bullion, Australian notes and cash with Commonwealth Bank. (c) Includes notes, cheques and bills of other banks. (d) General Banking Division of Commonwealth Bank prior to 3rd December, 1953. (e) Includes Rural and Industries Bank of Western Australia account with State Treasury and State Bank of South Australia deposit with State Treasury.

COMMONWEALTH BANK OF AUSTRALIA.

Rural Credits, Mortgage Bank and Industrial Finance Departments—Average Weekly Assets.
(£'000.)

Period.	Advances.					Treasury Bills.	Government and Municipal Securities.
	Rural Credits Department.	Mortgage Bank Department.	Industrial Finance Department.		Total.		
			Hire Purchase.	Other.			
1950-51	13,715	3,840	14,664	7,535	39,754	76	227
1951-52	19,653	4,153	15,480	8,666	47,952	63	463
1952-53	44,863	4,267	14,847	8,145	72,122	469	946
1953-54	43,183	4,528	16,631	4,749	69,091	628	1,745
Quarter ended—							
September, 1953 ..	38,678	4,366	16,362	4,870	64,276	554	1,287
December,	18,388	4,484	16,856	4,343	44,071	650	1,731
March, 1954	49,680	4,625	16,648	4,676	75,629	615	1,883
June,	64,426	4,646	16,696	5,066	90,834	700	2,112
September,	56,915	4,686	16,896	6,134	84,631	885	1,859
Monthly—							
July, 1954	56,197	4,652	16,717	5,997	83,563	750	1,707
August,	61,103	4,674	16,832	6,091	88,700	900	1,926
September,	54,140	4,722	17,091	6,279	82,232	980	1,926

COMMONWEALTH BANK OF AUSTRALIA.

Central Banking Business (Including Note Issue Department).

(Averages of weekly figures.)

(£A'000.)

Period.	Notes on Issue.			Special Accounts of Trading Banks.	Other Deposits of Trading Banks.	Other Li- abilities (excluding Capital and Reserve Funds).	Gold and Balances Held Abroad.	Govern- ment and Other Securi- ties (includ- ing Treas- ury Bills).
	Held by—		Total.					
	Banks.	Public.						
1950-51	32,725	219,045	251,770	503,248	34,696	238,230	596,276	366,570
1951-52	38,087	255,552	293,639	468,800	31,112	270,937	470,644	503,089
1952-53	36,860	281,332	318,192	212,890	45,447	287,361	363,576	434,771
1953-54	38,539	299,684	338,223	306,820	41,731	283,397	512,615	407,979
Quarter ended—								
September, 1953 ..	36,063	295,068	331,131	280,680	40,787	310,157	491,659	423,501
December, " ..	39,408	298,726	338,134	259,654	38,626	299,360	496,098	415,051
March, 1954 ..	39,729	299,423	339,152	323,872	45,809	261,514	530,668	385,948
June, " ..	39,213	305,801	345,014	361,459	41,534	261,724	532,358	406,769
September, " ..	38,678	309,206	347,884	334,997	37,198	250,973	455,946	456,168
Monthly—								
July, 1954 ..	38,846	307,168	346,014	348,133	36,728	250,127	478,546	444,993
August, " ..	38,809	308,955	347,764	331,445	37,333	246,497	454,003	445,826
September, " ..	38,440	311,037	349,477	327,330	37,467	255,230	439,421	473,383

COMMONWEALTH NOTES OUTSTANDING.

(£'000.)

Denomination.	25th Sept., 1939.	26th Sept., 1951.	24th Sept., 1952.	30th Sept., 1953.	28th July, 1954.	25th Aug., 1954.	29th Sept., 1954.
10s.	4,205	9,288	9,592	9,864	9,881	9,936	10,019
£1	22,186	68,761	68,288	67,845	68,752	69,294	69,576
£5	13,054	122,493	146,504	164,506	170,118	171,335	173,455
£10	6,174	82,970	84,311	89,855	95,578	96,074	96,978
£20	101	7	7	6	6	6	6
£50	1,554	60	56	52	50	50	50
£100	2,703	64	61	58	56	56	56
£1,000	1,048	1,078	1,599	427	636	826	937
Held by Banks	13,746	34,667	35,060	37,306	38,782	38,788	36,257
" " Public	37,279	250,054	275,358	295,307	306,295	308,789	314,820
Total ..	51,025	284,721	310,418	332,613	345,077	347,577	351,077

SAVINGS BANKS—DEPOSITS. (£'000.)

Amount on deposit at end of—	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	N. Terr.	Aust. Cap. Terr.	Total.
ALL SAVINGS BANKS.(a)									
June—1939 ..	87,474	80,461	29,045	27,397	12,396	8,396	99	319	245,587
1951 ..	284,467	281,779	98,840	97,849	44,672	27,155	965	1,717	837,444
1952 ..	304,532	300,832	102,661	103,726	47,171	30,119	1,036	1,821	891,898
1953 ..	319,149	319,971	109,360	113,875	49,794	32,078	1,116	2,154	947,497
1954 ..	339,796	339,781	117,406	122,949	52,614	33,947	1,308	2,328	1,010,129
Sept., 1953	325,200	324,937	112,829	116,292	50,983	33,048	1,234	2,282	966,805
Dec., ..	327,659	327,054	114,001	117,294	51,374	32,851	1,249	2,258	973,740
Mar., 1954	331,335	328,988	114,288	119,095	51,091	33,304	1,227	2,312	981,640
June, ..	339,796	339,781	117,406	122,949	52,614	33,947	1,308	2,328	1,010,129
July, 1954	341,946	341,791	118,977	124,318	52,674	34,246	1,306	2,416	1,017,674
Aug., ..	343,134	344,647	120,398	124,954	53,057	34,789	1,333	2,449	1,024,761
Sept., ..	344,311	346,584	121,447	125,483	53,065	34,869	1,325	2,468	1,029,552

COMMONWEALTH SAVINGS BANK.

June—1939 ..	87,474	11,242	29,045	3,167	12,396	2,358	99	319	146,100
1951 ..	284,467	68,092	98,840	20,203	44,672	10,497	965	1,717	529,453
1952 ..	304,532	76,485	102,661	22,502	47,171	11,406	1,036	1,821	567,614
1953 ..	319,149	85,137	109,360	25,483	49,794	12,170	1,116	2,154	604,363
1954 ..	339,796	94,174	117,406	28,192	52,614	12,869	1,308	2,328	648,687
Sept., 1953	325,200	87,401	112,829	26,382	50,983	12,362	1,234	2,282	618,673
Dec., ..	327,659	88,842	114,001	26,720	51,374	12,320	1,249	2,258	624,423
Mar., 1954	331,335	90,270	114,288	27,177	51,091	12,392	1,227	2,312	630,092
June, ..	339,796	94,174	117,406	28,192	52,614	12,869	1,308	2,328	648,687
July, 1954	341,946	95,265	118,977	28,634	52,674	13,004	1,306	2,416	654,222
Aug., ..	343,134	96,402	120,398	28,825	53,057	13,089	1,333	2,449	658,687
Sept., ..	344,311	97,209	121,447	29,042	53,065	13,178	1,325	2,468	662,045

(a) Includes Commonwealth Savings Bank.

NOTE.—Sales of War Savings and Savings Certificates were discontinued after 31st January, 1949, except for sales to wind up savings groups, &c. The net amount outstanding at the end of September, 1954, was £29,349,000.

ALL CHEQUE-PAYING BANKS—AVERAGE WEEKLY DEBITS TO CUSTOMERS' ACCOUNTS.

(Excluding Debits to Australian Government Accounts at Capital City Branches.)

(£'000.)

Period.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Australian Capital Territory.	Total.
1950-51	145,110	134,925	39,011	26,844	19,250	7,370	373	372,883
1951-52	156,602	142,358	41,516	30,792	21,810	8,872	471	402,421
1952-53	151,938	131,998	43,796	30,063	22,091	8,850	580	389,316
1953-54	171,709	154,885	51,032	32,802	25,339	9,938	775	446,480
Quarter ended—								
September, 1953 ..	159,932	131,752	50,006	29,906	22,330	9,261	764	403,951
December,	176,963	155,601	53,250	32,722	26,832	9,612	750	455,730
March, 1954	168,453	162,570	46,701	33,324	26,162	9,882	753	447,845
June,	182,395	171,397	54,252	35,477	26,265	11,048	834	481,668
September,	177,533	162,532	53,251	33,885	25,321	10,049	684	463,255
Month of—								
July, 1954	181,771	161,000	55,993	34,909	26,256	10,671	725	471,325
August,	170,580	156,535	49,443	32,131	24,284	9,780	619	443,372
September,	179,704	168,555	54,102	34,471	25,402	9,767	704	472,705

BANK, ETC., INTEREST RATES, 30th SEPTEMBER, 1954.

Particulars.	Rate per Annum.	Date from which Operated.	Previous Rate per Annum.
	Per cent.		Per cent.
Commonwealth Bank of Australia—			
Rural Credits Department—Government Guaranteed Loans ..	3 $\frac{3}{4}$	1.8.52	3 $\frac{1}{4}$
—Other ..	4	1.8.52	3 $\frac{1}{2}$
Mortgage Bank Department Loans—			
5 to 20 years ..	4 $\frac{1}{2}$	1.8.52	4
over 20 years ..	4 $\frac{3}{8}$	1.8.52	4 $\frac{1}{4}$
Industrial Finance Department—Term Loans ..	4 $\frac{3}{4}$	1.8.52	4 $\frac{1}{4}$
Commonwealth Savings Bank—			
Loans to Local Government Authorities ..	4 $\frac{3}{4}$ to 4 $\frac{7}{8}$	23.10.52	4 $\frac{11}{16}$ to 4 $\frac{3}{4}$
Crédit Foncier Housing Loans ..	4 $\frac{1}{2}$	1.8.52	3 $\frac{5}{8}$
Commonwealth Trading Bank of Australia(a)—			
Overdraft—General ..	4 $\frac{3}{4}$	1.8.52	4 $\frac{1}{4}$
Local Government Authorities ..	4 $\frac{1}{2}$	1.8.52	4
Other Trading Banks—Overdraft (Maximum Rate)	5	1.8.52	4 $\frac{1}{2}$
Life Assurance Companies—Loans on own policies	5 to 5 $\frac{1}{2}$	1.4.54	5
Commonwealth Loans—Long Term ..	4 $\frac{1}{2}$	25.11.52	3 $\frac{3}{4}$
Treasury Bills (Discount Rates) ..	1	1.8.52	$\frac{1}{4}$
Fixed Deposits with Trading Banks—			
3 months ..	1	29.7.52	$\frac{1}{2}$
6 months ..	1 $\frac{1}{4}$	29.7.52	3 $\frac{1}{4}$
12 months ..	1 $\frac{1}{2}$	29.7.52	1
24 months—			
First £10,000 ..	1 $\frac{1}{4}$	29.7.52	1 $\frac{1}{2}$
Amounts in excess of £10,000 ..	1 $\frac{1}{2}$	29.7.52	1
Savings Banks—Deposits other than Fixed Deposits—			
On first £500—			
Commonwealth Savings Bank ..	2 $\frac{1}{4}$	1.8.52	2
State Savings Bank of Victoria ..	2 $\frac{1}{4}$	1.8.52	2
Trustee Savings Banks, Hobart and Launceston (on amounts up to £450) ..	2 $\frac{1}{2}$	1.9.52	2 $\frac{1}{4}$
Savings Bank of South Australia ..	2 $\frac{1}{2}$	1.8.52	2 $\frac{1}{4}$
On amounts in excess of £500, but not exceeding £1,500(b)—			
Commonwealth Savings Bank ..	1 $\frac{1}{4}$	1.8.52	1
State Savings Bank of Victoria ..	1 $\frac{1}{4}$	1.8.52	1
Savings Bank of South Australia ..	1 $\frac{1}{2}$	1.8.52	1 $\frac{1}{4}$

(a) Rates quoted prior to 3rd December, 1953, are for the General Banking Division of the Commonwealth Bank. (b) No interest is payable on amounts in excess of £1,500 except on deposits in Friendly and other Society Accounts. This limit was raised from £1,000 to £1,500 from 1st June, 1954. The current rates for these accounts on amounts in excess of £500 at 30th June, 1954 were £501–£2,000, 2 $\frac{1}{4}$ %; £2,001 and over, 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ %.

BANK, ETC., INTEREST RATES, AND SECURITY YIELDS.
(Per Cent.)

Period.	Trading Banks—						C'wealth. Saving Bank Deposits (Maximum Rate of Interest).	Treasury Bills (Dis- count Rates).	C'wealth. Govt. Securities.		Private First Mortgages Registered in New South Wales —Urban Securities. (c)
	Fixed Deposits.				Overdrafts.				Short- dated 2 Years. (b)	Long- dated 12 Years. (b)	
	3 Months.	6 Months.	12 Months.	24 Months.	C'wealth. Trading Bank.(a)	Private Trading Banks.					
1938-39 ..	2.00	2.50	2.75	3.00	4.25	(d)	2.00	1.75	(e)3.67	(e)3.84	5.5
1949-50 ..	0.50	0.75	1.00	(f)1.50	(g)4.25	4.50	2.00	0.75	1.95	3.13	4.4
1950-51 ..	0.50	0.75	1.00	1.50	4.25	4.50	2.00	0.75	1.99	3.21	4.4
1951-52 ..	0.50	0.75	1.00	1.50	4.25	4.50	2.00	0.75	2.05	3.95	4.4
1952-53 ..	0.96	1.21	1.46	1.73	4.71	4.96	2.23	0.98	3.03	4.54	4.7
1953-54 ..	1.00	1.25	1.50	1.75	4.75	5.00	2.25	1.00	3.10	4.44	4.9
Month of—											
Sept., 1953	1.00	1.25	1.50	1.75	4.75	5.00	2.25	1.00	2.96	4.42	4.9
Dec., „	1.00	1.25	1.50	1.75	4.75	5.00	2.25	1.00	2.98	4.43	4.9
Mar., 1954	1.00	1.25	1.50	1.75	4.75	5.00	2.25	1.00	3.17	4.47	4.9
June, „	1.00	1.25	1.50	1.75	4.75	5.00	2.25	1.00	3.42	4.40	5.0
July, 1954	1.00	1.25	1.50	1.75	4.75	5.00	2.25	1.00	3.54	4.47	5.1
August, „	1.00	1.25	1.50	1.75	4.75	5.00	2.25	1.00	3.47	4.49	5.1
Sept., „	1.00	1.25	1.50	1.75	4.75	5.00	2.25	1.00	3.56	4.48	5.1

(a) Prior to 3rd December, 1953, General Banking Division of the Commonwealth Bank. (b) Rate for securities maturing in 2 and 12 years, estimated from rates on securities maturing in 0-5, and 10 or more years, respectively. Figures relate to last Wednesday in month. (c) Average rate on mortgages registered in three months ending with month shown.

(d) Rates for Private Trading Banks not published, but predominant rates were 5.25 per cent. to 5.50 per cent. (e) Weighted averages for loans maturing in (i) under 5 years, and (ii) over 10 years, for last Wednesday in month. Calculated when loans above par or earliest date of maturity. (f) From December, 1945, to July, 1952, 1.50 per cent. on first £10,000 of deposit; 1.00 per cent. on amounts in excess, and from 1st August, 1952, 1.75 per cent. on first £10,000 deposit; 1.50 per cent. on amounts in excess. (g) Since July, 1940, rate for Municipal and Semi-Governmental Authorities, 0.25 per cent lower.

**OVERSEA EXCHANGE RATES : AVERAGE TELEGRAPHIC TRANSFER SELLING
RATES—SYDNEY ON OVERSEA COUNTRIES.**

Country.	Basis of Quotation.	1938-39.	1951-52.	1952-53.	1953-54.	Sept. 1953.	Sept. 1954.
United Kingdom ..	£A. to £100 Eng. ..	125.50	125.50	125.50	125.50	125.50	125.50
South Africa ..	£A. to £100 S.A. ..	125.55	125.70	125.79	125.79	125.79	125.79
New Zealand ..	£A. to £100 N.Z. ..	100.59	124.54	124.54	124.54	124.54	124.54
Fiji ..	£A. to £100 F. ..	113.00	113.00	113.00	113.00	113.00	113.00
United States of America	Dollars to £A.1 ..	3.76	2.22	2.23	2.24	2.23	2.23
Canada ..	Dollars to £A.1 ..	3.78	2.27	2.16	2.19	2.20	2.16
Belgium ..	Francs to £A.1 ..	110.94	110.57	110.72	110.88	110.78	110.69
Denmark ..	Kroner to £A.1 ..	17.78	15.29	15.30	15.34	15.31	15.37
France ..	Francs to £A.1 ..	141.21	776.08	781.16	777.96	774.63	775.50
Holland ..	Florins to £A.1 ..	6.94	8.40	8.40	8.34	8.40	8.42
Philippines ..	Pesos to £A.1 ..	7.53	4.43	4.42	4.46	4.46	4.46
Norway ..	Kroner to £A.1 ..	15.80	15.82	15.82	15.83	15.82	15.84
Noumea ..	Francs to £A.1 ..	(a)	140.84	138.94	138.65	138.61	138.61
Sweden ..	Kronor to £A.1 ..	15.41	11.47	11.51	11.49	11.45	11.49
Switzerland ..	Francs to £A.1 ..	16.59	9.70	9.68	9.69	9.66	9.69
Hong Kong ..	Pence Aust. to 1 Dollar	18.88	18.79	18.83	18.83	18.81	18.84
India ..	Pence Aust. to 1 Rupee	22.60	22.77	22.77	22.76	22.77	22.73
Pakistan ..	Pence Aust. to 1 Rupee	(b)	32.69	32.69	32.69	32.69	32.69
Ceylon ..	Pence Aust. to 1 Rupee	(c)	22.81	22.81	22.81	22.81	22.83
Singapore ..	Pence Aust. to 1 Dollar	35.22	35.53	35.40	35.30	35.31	35.34

(a) Not available. (b) Pakistan created separate Dominion from 15th August, 1947. Previously part of India. (c) Ceylon created separate Dominion from 4th February, 1946. Quotations previously same as India.

LIFE ASSURANCE BUSINESS IN AUSTRALIA.

EXCLUDES BUSINESS OF THE GOVERNMENT INSURANCE OFFICE OF NEW SOUTH WALES AND THE QUEENSLAND STATE GOVERNMENT INSURANCE OFFICE.

New Policies Issued and Policies Matured and Otherwise Discontinued.(a)

Period.	New Policies Issued.					Policies Matured and Otherwise Discontinued.(b)				
	Ordinary Department.		Industrial Department.		Total Sum Assured.	Ordinary Department.		Industrial Department.		Total Sum Assured.
	No.	Sum Assured.	No.	Sum Assured.		No.	Sum Assured.	No.	Sum Assured.	
1939.. ..	135,511	£7000. 46,635	385,498	£7000. 18,542	£7000. 65,177	76,917	£7000. 24,094	262,096	£7000. 12,132	£7000. 36,226
1950-51	259,705	182,475	272,561	29,072	211,547	108,733	51,827	221,826	15,779	67,606
1951-52	283,280	221,572	278,594	33,804	255,376	110,274	59,272	229,652	16,641	75,913
1952-53	283,718	225,944	274,232	35,347	261,201	117,886	67,157	250,106	19,081	86,238
1953-54	284,544	254,129	239,692	32,575	286,704	143,925	81,319	262,723	20,597	101,916
Quarter ended—										
September, 1953 ..	84,873	71,342	72,113	9,702	81,044	32,371	19,151	65,975	4,865	24,016
December,	75,910	73,586	55,761	7,550	81,136	43,172	21,792	69,206	5,295	27,087
March, 1954	51,567	43,095	49,300	6,694	49,789	32,311	18,831	64,563	5,478	24,309
June,	72,194	66,106	62,518	8,629	74,735	36,071	21,545	62,979	4,959	26,504
September,	83,310	81,445	69,555	10,052	91,497	39,698	23,640	68,421	5,174	28,814
Month of—										
July, 1954	27,010	26,383	18,704	2,627	29,010	12,488	7,474	22,624	1,693	9,167
August,	25,513	23,916	21,284	3,113	27,029	12,806	7,859	24,723	1,900	9,759
September,	30,787	31,146	29,567	4,312	35,458	14,404	8,307	21,074	1,581	9,888

(a) Excludes annuity policies. (b) Includes policies which became due for payment on account of death or maturity, policies surrendered and policies discontinued for other causes.

Premiums Received, Amounts Paid on Claims, Surrenders, &c., and New Loans Granted. (£'000.)

Period.	Premiums.(a)			Claims, &c., Paid.(b)			New Loans Granted.(c)
	Ordinary Department.	Industrial Department.	Total.	Ordinary Department.	Industrial Department.	Total.	
1939	13,732	6,490	20,222	10,024	3,632	13,656	(d)
1950-51	38,517	12,523	51,040	15,715	5,896	21,611	46,714
1951-52	43,817	13,224	57,041	17,287	6,558	23,845	47,555
1952-53	50,237	13,761	63,998	18,911	7,426	26,337	36,136
1953-54	56,162	14,076	70,238	21,158	8,058	29,216	34,463
Quarter ended—							
September, 1953	14,019	3,613	17,632	5,593	2,111	7,704	9,265
December,	13,946	3,767	17,713	5,323	1,987	7,310	8,102
March, 1954	12,509	3,196	15,705	4,832	1,847	6,679	7,432
June,	15,688	3,500	19,188	5,410	2,113	7,523	9,664
September,	15,405	3,707	19,112	6,273	2,308	8,581	10,563
Month of—							
July, 1954	5,166	1,189	6,355	2,111	805	2,916	3,624
August,	5,102	1,191	6,293	2,042	779	2,821	3,312
September,	5,137	1,327	6,464	2,120	724	2,844	3,627

(a) Includes consideration for annuities. (b) Includes claims paid on maturity, amounts paid on surrender of policy, annuities and bonuses paid in cash. (c) Excludes advances of premiums. (d) Not available.

Section IX.—Transport and Communication.
OVERSEA SHIPPING—ENTRANCES AND CLEARANCES.
AUSTRALIA.

Year.	Entrances.				Clearances.			
	With Cargo.		With Cargo and in Ballast.		With Cargo.		With Cargo and in Ballast.	
	No.	'000 Net Tons.	No.	'000 Net Tons.	No.	'000 Net Tons.	No.	'000 Net Tons.
1938-39 ..	1,372	5,964	1,876	6,711	1,490	5,990	1,938	6,835
1949-50 ..	1,726	7,972	1,942	8,716	1,480	6,209	1,965	8,662
1950-51 ..	1,769	8,200	1,911	8,601	1,430	6,169	1,992	8,707
1951-52 ..	1,880	8,580	2,038	8,973	1,423	6,118	2,098	9,252
1952-53 ..	1,546	7,312	1,988	8,704	1,582	6,522	2,053	8,867
1953-54 ..	1,647	7,736	2,054	8,882	1,507	6,179	2,074	8,854
Three months ended—								
September, 1953	362	1,785	457	2,077	377	1,634	513	2,263
September, 1954	473	2,090	530	2,294	375	1,521	557	2,444

OVERSEA AND INTERSTATE TONNAGE OF CARGO—Discharged and Shipped.
('000.)

NOTE.—Cargo recorded by measurement has been converted to tons measurement on the basis of 1 ton measurement = 40 cubic feet. The figures in the measurement columns are not equivalent to those in the weight columns but are additional.

State or Territory, and Year.	Discharged.				Shipped.			
	Interstate.		Oversea.		Interstate.		Oversea.	
	Tons Weight.	Tons Measurement.	Tons Weight.	Tons Measurement.	Tons Weight.	Tons Measurement.	Tons Weight.	Tons Measurement.
THREE MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER, 1953.								
New South Wales ..	999	94	643	237	978	119	477	99
Victoria ..	602	62	599	236	111	91	212	124
Queensland ..	84	91	195	45	122	30	425	35
South Australia ..	406	49	218	78	726	66	394	23
Western Australia ..	78	73	246	43	200	26	130	33
Tasmania ..	130	39	45	9	125	36	15	3
Northern Territory ..	9	..	27	..	1	..	..	..
Australia ..	2,308	408	1,973	648	2,263	368	1,653	317

THREE MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER, 1954.

New South Wales ..	1,222	112	725	294	948	119	294	109
Victoria ..	562	97	935	297	195	112	242	132
Queensland ..	99	89	252	51	156	37	413	45
South Australia ..	478	59	270	92	942	63	338	24
Western Australia ..	126	74	270	57	274	26	171	21
Tasmania ..	156	66	69	10	137	79	16	5
Northern Territory ..	15	..	9	..	1	..	..	..
Australia ..	2,658	497	2,530	801	2,653	436	1,474	336
Total 1953-54 ..	9,059	1,790	8,520	2,812	9,105	1,539	5,765	1,355
" 1952-53 ..	8,995	1,492	7,733	1,929	8,447	1,275	6,045	1,452
" 1951-52 ..	7,972	1,638	9,727	4,682	7,697	1,325	4,487	1,231
" 1950-51 ..	6,980	1,612	9,084	3,989	6,723	1,326	5,405	1,295
" 1949-50 ..	6,447	1,520	7,686	3,576	6,419	1,207	5,061	1,388
" 1948-49 ..	6,690	1,451	5,849	2,572	6,230	1,173	5,423	1,366
" 1938-39 ..	7,074	2,003	4,208	2,191	7,221	1,731	5,138	1,093

OVERSEA SHIPPING FREIGHT RATES FROM AUSTRALIA TO THE UNITED KINGDOM AND CONTINENT AT 30th SEPTEMBER, 1954.

(These rates are expressed in sterling.)

(1 Ton Measurement = 40 Cubic Feet.)

FOODSTUFFS OF ANIMAL ORIGIN, EXCLUDING LIVE ANIMALS—

Butter (Refrigerator)	8s. 4d. per box (56 lb.).
Cheese (Refrigerator)	1 1/2d. per lb.
Eggs (in shell)	247s. 6d. per ton measurement.
Meats—	
Preserved by Cold Process (Refrigerator)—	
Beef	2 1/4d. per lb.
Lamb	2 1/4d. " "
Mutton	2 1/4d. " "
Rabbits and Hares	193s. 6d. per ton measurement.
Preserved in tins	255s. 6d. " " "
Sausage Casings—(dried)—cases or casks	212s. 6d. " " "
(Refrigerator) in brine in casks	255s. 6d. " " "
Milk and Cream (condensed)	166s. 6d. " " "

FOODSTUFFS OF VEGETABLE ORIGIN—

Sugar (Refined)	266s. per ton weight.
Jams	131s. 6d. per ton measurement.
Jellies	166s. 6d. " " "
Dried Fruits	131s. 6d. " " "
Fruits, Fresh (Refrigerator)—	
Apples	10s. 3d. per bushel case.
Oranges	10s. 3d. " " "
Grain and Pulse, unprepared—	
Wheat—	
Bulk	105s. per ton weight.
Bagged	117s. 6d. " " "
Barley	120s. " " "
Oats	142s. 6d. " " "
Maize	125s. " " "
Grain and Pulse, prepared—	
Flour, Wheaten	120s. " " "
Bran	140s. " " "
Pollard	132s. 6d. " " "
Rice (clean, husked)	125s. " " "

WINE	166s. 6d. per ton measurement.
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ANIMAL SUBSTANCES (MAINLY UNMANUFACTURED), NOT FOODSTUFFS—

Hides and Skins—	
Calf	1 1/4d. per lb.
Sheep	1 1/4d. " "
Rabbit	4 1/4d. " "
Other	4 1/4d. " "
Pearl-shell	166s. 6d. per ton measurement.
Wool—	
Greasy	2.76d. per lb. less 7%.
Scoured and Washed	3.48d. " " "
Tops	3.314d. per lb. (net).

VEGETABLE SUBSTANCES AND FIBRES—

Compressed Fodder	166s. 6d. per ton weight.
Bark, Tanning	166s. 6d. " " "
Copra	271s. 6d. " " "
Raw Cotton (in bales)	2 1/4d. per lb.

APPAREL, TEXTILES AND MANUFACTURED FIBRES—

Apparel and Attire (Effects)	260s. 6d. per ton measurement.
Binder Twine	293s. per ton weight.

OILS, FATS AND WAXES—

Oils—	
Eucalyptus	166s. 6d. per ton measurement.
Other	166s. 6d. per ton weight.
Tallow, Unrefined	188s. " " "

PAINTS AND VARNISHES	166s. 6d. per ton measurement.
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Oversea Shipping Freight Rates from Australia to the United Kingdom and Continent at 30th September, 1954—continued.

(1 Ton Measurement = 40 Cubic Feet.)

ORES AND METALS, UNMANUFACTURED OR PARTLY MANUFACTURED—

Ore (in casks)—									
£20 or over per ton	..	..	..	..	..	199s.	per ton weight.		
Under £20 per ton	..	..	..	..	..	110s.	" "	" "	
Zinc—									
Ex Risdon	..	..	..	..	..	68s. 6d.	" "	" "	
Other than above	..	..	..	..	..	88s. 6d.	" "	" "	
Dust (in cases)	..	..	..	..	..	392s. 6d.	" "	" "	
Sheet (in cases)	..	..	..	..	..	172s.	" "	" "	
Copper (ingots)	..	..	..	..	..	161s. 6d.	" "	" "	
Lead	..	..	..	..	..	88s. 6d.	" "	" "	
Steel—									
Billets (up to 30 feet)	..	..	..	..	..	130s.	" "	" "	
Tyres	..	..	..	..	..	148s.	" "	" "	
Tin Clippings hydraulically pressed	..	..	..	..	..	83s. 6d.	" "	" "	

RUBBER AND LEATHER AND MANUFACTURES THEREOF, AND SUBSTITUTES THEREFOR—

Rubber	..	..	..	..	..	150s. 6d.	per ton measurement.		
Leather	..	..	..	..	..	265s. 6d.	per ton weight.		

WOOD, RAW AND MANUFACTURED—

Timber—									
Logs up to 40-ft. lengths	..	..	..	..	..	77s. 5d.	per 100 super. feet.		
" over 40 and up to 50-ft. lengths	..	..	..	..	..	83s. 2d.	" "	" "	
" over 50 and up to 60-ft. lengths	..	..	..	..	..	89s. 4d.	" "	" "	
Sawn, Undressed, up to 30-ft. lengths	45s. 7d.	" "	" "	

EARTHENWARE, CEMENT, CHINA AND GLASS

..	166s. 6d.	per ton measurement.		
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STATIONERY	166s. 6d.	" "	" "	
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DRUGS, CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS—

Fertilizers	166s. 6d.	" "	weight	
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MISCELLANEOUS—

Soap	166s. 6d.	" "	measurement	
Casein	236s. 6d.	" "	weight	

SPECIE	15s.	per cent		
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INTERSTATE, NEW ZEALAND AND ISLANDS SHIPPING FREIGHT RATES, GENERAL CARGO, 30th September, 1954.

(Per Ton Weight or Measurement : 1 Ton Meas. = 40 Cubic Feet.)

(These rates are expressed in Australian currency unless otherwise footnoted.)

To—	From—				
	Brisbane.	Sydney.		Melbourne.	
	Direct.	Direct.	Trans-shipped at Wellington.	Direct.	Trans-shipped at Sydney.
	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
Brisbane	..	133 0	..	152 6	..
Sydney	131 6	..
Melbourne	..	131 6	..	..	..
Adelaide	..	145 6	..	116 0	..
Fremantle	..	163 6	..	155 6	..
Hobart	..	127 6	..	114 0	..
Launceston, Devonport, Burnie	..	127 6	..	100 0	..
Auckland(c)	..	135 0	218 1(d)	135 0	255 6
Wellington(c)	..	135 0(d)	..	135 0(d)	255 6(d)
Lyttleton(c)	..	135 0	218 1(d)	135 0	255 6
Dunedin(c)	..	135 0	218 1(d)	135 0	255 6
New Hebrides—Vila	..	260 0	..	..	300 0
Norfolk Island	..	300 0	..	..	340 0
Papua—					
Port Moresby	..	205 0	..	..	230 0
Samarai	..	205 0	..	..	230 0
Territory of New Guinea—					
Lae and Madang	..	235 0	..	..	260 0
Rabaul	..	215 0	..	..	240 0

(a) Plus 16s. per ton if trans-shipped. (b) Trans-shipped at Sydney. (c) Rates expressed in sterling. (d) Includes Wellington Harbour Improvement Charges.

NOTE.—More detailed statistics of Government Railways for the years 1943-44 to 1952-53 appear in *Transport and Communication Bulletin* No. 44, pages 1-15.

GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS.

System.	1938-39.	1949-50.	1950-51.	1951-52.	1952-53.	1953-54.
ROUTE-MILEAGE OPEN AT END OF YEAR.						
Commonwealth ..	2,201	2,201	2,201	2,201	2,201	2,201
New South Wales ..	6,114	6,113	6,113	6,113	6,113	6,101
Victoria ..	4,759	4,687	4,686	4,694	4,660	4,482
Queensland(a) ..	6,567	6,560	6,560	6,560	6,560	6,560
South Australia ..	2,557	2,553	2,553	2,553	2,553	2,564
Western Australia ..	4,378	4,252	4,228	4,113	4,108	4,111
Tasmania ..	658	613	613	613	613	614
Australia ..	27,234	26,979	26,954	26,847	26,808	26,633

TRAFFIC TRAIN-MILES RUN.(b)
(‘000 miles.)

Commonwealth ..	902	1,670	1,841	1,889	1,738	1,953
New South Wales ..	30,106	(c) 41,369	(c) 38,112	(c) 40,012	36,289	37,506
Victoria ..	17,890	17,550	14,575	16,973	17,690	18,303
Queensland(a) ..	13,927	(d) 17,674	(d) 18,562	(d) 18,652	18,564	19,241
South Australia ..	6,177	6,356	6,379	6,943	7,199	7,359
Western Australia ..	6,575	6,733	7,136	6,802	5,255	7,204
Tasmania ..	1,906	2,080	2,071	2,092	1,990	1,898
Australia ..	77,483	93,432	88,676	93,363	88,725	93,464

PASSENGER-JOURNEYS.
(‘000.)

Commonwealth ..	117	194	186	191	190	224
New South Wales ..	186,720	258,183	268,567	268,168	271,699	278,904
Victoria ..	142,124	182,101	141,313	165,131	162,857	166,106
Queensland(a) ..	24,639	32,366	34,145	35,029	35,819	35,879
South Australia ..	17,529	17,385	17,177	18,269	17,565	17,605
Western Australia ..	11,415	11,188	11,543	10,536	6,339	8,678
Tasmania ..	2,297	3,231	3,182	3,186	3,151	3,285
Australia ..	384,841	504,648	476,113	500,510	497,620	510,681

GOODS AND LIVESTOCK CARRIED.
(‘000 tons.)

Commonwealth ..	186	549	591	694	660	762
New South Wales ..	15,417	16,997	18,324	19,817	19,121	20,697
Victoria ..	5,976	9,125	7,539	9,204	9,192	9,200
Queensland(a) ..	5,234	6,943	7,182	6,823	7,351	8,081
South Australia ..	2,640	3,692	3,794	4,351	4,543	4,891
Western Australia ..	2,859	2,843	3,033	3,063	2,619	3,206
Tasmania ..	844	770	861	889	897	968
Australia ..	33,156	40,919	41,324	44,841	44,383	47,805

(a) Includes details for South Brisbane-Border section of Uniform Gauge line. (b) Excludes "Assistant" and "Light" mileages. (c) Estimated. (d) Partly estimated.

Government Railways—continued.

System.	1938-39.	1949-50.	1950-51.	1951-52.	1952-53.	1953-54.
GROSS REVENUE.(a)						
(£'000.)						
Commonwealth ..	547	1,875	2,153	2,925	2,710	3,402
New South Wales ..	19,146	40,122	49,448	68,910	72,676	74,569
Victoria ..	9,274	20,355	18,651	24,186	31,864	35,707
Queensland(b) ..	7,798	15,988	19,772	23,358	25,985	30,223
South Australia ..	3,119	6,512	7,315	9,457	11,891	12,718
Western Australia ..	3,599	6,292	6,969	8,885	7,667	11,111
Tasmania ..	487	1,049	1,336	1,797	2,039	2,133
Australia ..	43,970	92,193	105,644	139,518	154,832	169,863

WORKING EXPENSES.
(£'000.)

Commonwealth ..	642	1,979	2,434	2,808	2,728	2,897
New South Wales ..	14,543	39,280	49,168	64,020	66,452	68,197
Victoria ..	8,060	19,984	20,810	29,612	34,008	35,951
Queensland(b) ..	6,193	15,857	19,427	24,646	27,979	29,103
South Australia ..	2,931	8,440	9,992	13,505	15,013	14,934
Western Australia ..	2,911	7,387	8,932	11,016	12,510	14,298
Tasmania ..	678	1,723	2,009	2,567	2,864	2,804
Australia ..	35,958	94,655	112,772	148,174	161,554	168,184

NET REVENUE.
(£'000.)

Commonwealth ..	— 95	— 104	— 281	117	— 18	505
New South Wales ..	4,603	842	280	4,890	6,224	6,372
Victoria ..	1,214	371	— 2,159	— 5,426	— 2,144	— 244
Queensland(b) ..	1,605	131	345	— 1,288	— 1,994	1,120
South Australia ..	188	— 1,928	— 2,677	— 4,048	— 3,122	— 2,216
Western Australia ..	688	— 1,095	— 1,963	— 2,131	— 4,843	— 3,187
Tasmania ..	— 191	— 679	— 673	— 770	— 825	— 671
Australia ..	8,012	— 2,462	— 7,128	— 8,656	— 6,722	1,679

RATIO OF WORKING EXPENSES TO GROSS REVENUE.
(PER CENT.)

Commonwealth ..	117.43	105.53	113.04	95.99	100.66	85.14
New South Wales ..	75.96	97.90	99.43	92.90	91.44	91.45
Victoria ..	86.91	98.18	111.58	122.43	106.73	100.68
Queensland(b) ..	79.42	99.18	98.26	105.51	103.67	96.30
South Australia ..	93.97	129.61	136.60	142.81	126.26	117.42
Western Australia ..	80.90	117.40	128.17	123.98	163.18	128.68
Tasmania ..	139.18	164.73	150.35	142.81	140.44	131.48
Australia ..	81.78	102.67	106.74	106.20	104.34	99.01

(a) Excludes Government Grants.
Uniform Gauge line.

(b) Includes details for South Brisbane-Border section of

NOTE.—Minus sign (—) denotes loss.

Government Railways—continued.

(The table on this page is prepared from quarterly statements supplied by each Government Railway, and figures therein are not completely comparable with those shown in preceding pages which are derived, in the main, from the Annual Reports of the Government Railways.)

Particulars.	C'wealth.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land. (a)	S.A.(b)	W.A.	Tas.	Total.
TWELVE MONTHS ENDED JUNE, 1953.								
Route Miles open ..	2,201	6,113	4,660	6,491	2,553	4,108	613	26,739
Train-miles run '000	1,738	40,192	17,690	18,339	7,199	(c) 5,345	1,990	92,493
Revenue £'000—								
Coaching (Passengers, Parcels, Mails, &c.)	690	19,751	10,501	4,775	1,786	987	214	38,704
Goods, including Live- stock and Minerals	1,798	48,728	19,380	20,390	9,276	6,202	1,776	107,550
Miscellaneous ..	222	(d) 4,197	1,986	(e)	886	478	49	(f) 7,818
Total Revenue ..	2,710	72,676	31,867	25,165	11,948	7,667	2,039	154,072
Working Expenses £'000	2,741	66,452	34,009	27,379	15,068	12,272	(h) 2,864	160,785
Net Revenue .. £'000	-31	6,224	-2,142	-2,214	-3,120	-4,605	-825	-6,713
Ratio of Working Ex- penses to Revenue %	101.14	91.44	106.72	108.80	126.10	167.07	140.44	140.35
Revenue per Train-mile	31s. 2d.	36s. 2d.	36s. 1d.	27s. 4d.	33s. 2d.	28s. 8d.	20s. 6d.	33s. 4d.
Working Expenses per Train-mile ..	31s. 7d.	33s. 1d.	38s. 5d.	29s. 8d.	41s. 10d.	45s. 11d.	28s. 9d.	34s. 9d.
Passenger-journeys '000	190	271,698	163,857	35,656	17,565	6,339	3,151	498,456
Freight Carried, '000 tons—								
Coal and Coke ..	420	(i)	(i)	1,512	921	465	219	(j)
Other Minerals ..	9	(i)	(i)	626	673	231	(k)	(j)
Livestock ..	69	(l) 1,244	611	782	215	132	23	3,076
Other Goods ..	162	17,877	8,580	4,170	2,759	1,791	655	35,994
Total Freight ..	660	19,121	9,191	7,090	4,568	2,619	897	44,146

TWELVE MONTHS ENDED JUNE, 1954.

Route Miles open ..	2,201	6,101	4,482	6,491	2,564	4,111	613	26,563
Train-miles run '000	1,953	27,406	18,303	19,038	7,359	7,204	1,898	93,261
Revenue £'000—								
Coaching (Passengers, Parcels, Mails, &c.)	788	18,041	11,012	5,211	1,837	1,251	216	38,356
Goods, including Live- stock and Minerals	2,321	52,847	22,654	24,218	10,050	9,309	1,855	123,254
Miscellaneous ..	293	(d) 3,681	2,040	(e)	888	552	72	(f) 7,526
Total Revenue ..	3,402	74,569	35,706	29,429	12,775	11,112	2,143	169,136
Working Expenses £'000	2,901	67,397	35,951	28,518	14,992	13,817	(h) 2,652	166,228
Net Revenue .. £'000	501	7,172	-245	911	-2,217	-2,705	-509	2,908
Ratio of Working Ex- penses to Revenue %	85.28	90.38	100.69	96.90	117.35	124.35	123.74	98.28
Revenue per Train-mile	34s. 10d.	39s. 9d.	39s. 0d.	30s. 11d.	34s. 9d.	30s. 10d.	22s. 7d.	36s. 3d.
Working Expenses per Train-mile ..	29s. 9d.	35s. 11d.	39s. 3d.	29s. 11d.	40s. 9d.	38s. 4d.	27s. 11d.	35s. 8d.
Passenger-journeys '000	224	278,904	166,105	35,731	17,605	8,678	3,285	510,532
Freight Carried, '000 tons—								
Coal and Coke ..	476	(i)	(i)	1,664	1,059	536	250	(j)
Other Minerals ..	8	(i)	(i)	614	805	271	(k)	(j)
Livestock ..	145	(l) 1,347	579	760	227	123	20	8,201
Other Goods ..	133	19,351	8,622	4,811	2,824	2,276	698	38,715
Total Freight ..	762	20,698	9,201	7,849	4,915	3,206	968	47,599

(a) Excludes South Brisbane—Border section of the Uniform Gauge Line. (b) Includes road motors. (c) Operations affected by industrial dispute. (d) From sale of electrical energy only; earnings reduced as from 1st January, 1953, owing to transfer of power stations to Electricity Commission of New South Wales. Other miscellaneous included with Coaching and Goods. (e) Included with Coaching. (f) Incomplete. (g) Excludes Government contributions towards losses on non-paying developmental lines. (h) Excludes depreciation. (i) Included with Other Goods. (j) Not available. (k) Included with Coal and Coke. (l) Estimated.

NOTE.—More detailed statistics of Electric Tramways and Motor Omnibus Service for the years 1943–44 to 1952–53 appear in *Transport and Communication Bulletin*, No. 44, pages 16–22.

ELECTRIC TRAMWAYS.

(Including details of Trolley Bus Services with the exception of those in Queensland.)

State and Year.	Route-mileage Open at 30th June.	Car-miles Run.	Passenger- journeys.	Gross Revenue. (a)	Working Expenses. (b)	Net Revenue.
	Miles.	'000.	'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
1953–54.						
New South Wales	126	16,542	203,508	5,056	6,883	–1,827
Victoria ..	175	24,130	222,541	5,441	5,588	–147
Queensland ..	67	9,879	104,790	2,293	2,236	57
South Australia ..	92	7,916	56,966	1,776	2,237	–461
Western Australia	30	2,307	18,743	509	610	–101
Tasmania (c) ..	(d) 30	2,988	23,009	705	627	78
Total 1953–54 ..	520	63,762	629,557	15,780	18,181	–2,401
Total—1952–53(c)	544	65,895	647,417	15,968	18,420	–2,452
1951–52(c)	560	67,923	685,724	15,121	17,109	–1,988
1950–51(e)	567	71,746	749,138	13,610	14,553	–943
1949–50(e)	555	72,708	754,483	11,785	12,477	–692
1938–39 ..	606	81,361	695,476	7,649	6,089	1,560

(a) Excludes Government Grants. (b) Includes depreciation. (c) Includes particulars of Hobart and Launceston Omnibus services. (d) Excludes 15 miles of Hobart Omnibus services. (e) Includes particulars of Hobart Municipal Council Omnibus Services.

NOTE.—Minus sign (–) denotes loss.

GOVERNMENT AND MUNICIPAL MOTOR OMNIBUS SERVICES.

(Excluding details of Trolley Bus Services with the exception of those in Queensland.)

State or Territory and Year.	Route-mileage at 30th June.	Omnibus-mileage.	Passenger-journeys.	Gross Revenue.(a)	Working Expenses.(b)
	Miles.	'000.	'000.	£'000.	£'000.
1953–54.					
New South Wales ..	463	31,829	212,200	4,612	7,216
Victoria ..	64	7,892	59,111	1,477	1,462
Queensland ..	409	5,954	33,934	849	899
South Australia ..	38	2,251	10,006	296	442
Western Australia ..	3,036	7,370	26,474	1,278	974
Tasmania (c) ..	535	1,156	1,785	207	194
Aust. Cap. Terr. ..	46	866	(d)	134	200
Total 1953–54 ..	4,591	57,318	(e) 343,510	8,853	11,387
Total—1952–53(c)	4,533	55,672	(e) 336,462	9,320	11,465
1951–52(c)	4,458	54,124	333,200	8,542	10,298
1950–51(f)	3,994	53,548	340,314	7,572	8,234
1949–50(f)	3,208	53,817	325,079	6,307	6,743

(a) Excludes Government Grants. (b) Includes depreciation. (c) Excludes particulars of Hobart and Launceston Omnibus Services, details of which are included with Electric Tramways. (d) Not available. (e) Excludes details for Australian Capital Territory. (f) Excludes particulars of Hobart Municipal Council Omnibus Services.

NOTE:—Further details of Motor Vehicle Registrations &c. appear in *Transport and Communication Bulletin* No. 44 and the Monthly and Annual Bulletin of Registrations of New Motor Vehicles.

MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATIONS, LICENCES AND GROSS REVENUE.

State or Territory and Year.	Registrations at 30th June.				Drivers' and Riders' Licences in Force at 30th June.	Gross Revenue.			
	Motor Cars.	Com-mercial Ve-hicles, &c.	Motor Cycles.	Total.		Vehicles' Registra-tion and Motor Tax.	Drivers' and Riders', &c., Licences.	Miscel-laneous.	Total.
						£	£	£	£
1953-54.									
New South Wales	398,397	213,709	42,451	654,557	914,239	8,076,814	713,768	2,054,640	10,845,222
Victoria ..	397,658	130,707	30,881	559,246	708,307	4,658,244	354,181	1,008,737	6,021,162
Queensland ..	145,933	115,907	22,367	284,207	(a)	3,801,126	118,620	919,787	4,839,533
South Australia	133,281	62,038	23,093	218,412	260,938	2,151,302	301,444	51,477	2,504,223
Western Australia	78,312	60,381	15,243	153,936	168,420	1,124,320	101,179	145,095	1,370,594
Tasmania ..	39,974	19,739	5,649	65,362	78,244	575,036	35,220	145,913	756,169
Northern Terri-tory ..	1,164	2,228	431	3,823	6,862	21,245	4,724	45	26,014
Australian Capital Territory ..	5,114	2,190	499	7,803	11,109	42,092	5,819	665	48,576
Total 1953-54	1199833	606,899	140,614	1,947,346	62148119	20,450,179	1,634,955	4,326,359	26,411,493
1952-53..	1109239	582,325	148,330	1,839,894	2,288,370	18,779,761	1,403,019	3,708,435	23,891,215
1951-52..	1032358	583,247	154,579	1,770,184	2,194,167	15,995,554	1,336,530	3,607,266	20,939,350
1950-51..	883,610	551,057	145,684	1,580,351	1,985,821	12,333,075	1,141,318	2,403,767	15,878,160
1949-50..	768,558	501,721	133,979	1,404,258	1,845,265	9,596,034	862,509	1,811,989	12,270,532
1938-39..	562,271	258,025	79,237	899,533	1,238,497	6,318,435	508,387	257,652	7,084,474

(a) Not available.

(b) Excludes Queensland.

MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATIONS.

(Number.)

Vehicles and Date.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Total.
AT 30TH SEPTEMBER, 1954.									
Motor Cars ..	410,044	410,516	150,552	136,702	81,332	41,160	1,238	5,275	1,236,819
Commercial Vehicles, &c.	217,449	133,484	118,122	62,797	59,888	20,472	2,305	2,250	616,768
Motor Cycles ..	41,959	30,339	22,285	22,044	14,354	5,521	435	487	138,024
Total ..	669,452	574,339	290,959	222,143	155,575	67,153	3,978	8,012	1,991,611
At 30th June. 1954 ..	654,557	559,246	284,207	218,412	153,936	65,362	3,823	7,803	1,947,346
" " " 1953 ..	613,554	539,828	266,221	205,702	141,945	60,545	(a)	6,947	1,834,742
" " " 1952 ..	590,532	533,226	255,020	192,313	132,967	55,104	(a)	6,260	1,765,427
" " " 1951 ..	544,345	444,400	240,784	173,043	118,692	49,173	(a)	5,523	1,575,960
" " " 1939 ..	319,015	261,855	128,163	90,756	69,672	26,360	1,426	2,279	899,533

(a) Not available.

(b) Excludes N.T.

REGISTRATIONS OF NEW MOTOR VEHICLES.

(Number.)

Vehicles and Period.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Total.
THREE MONTHS ENDED 30TH SEPTEMBER, 1954.									
Motor Cars ..	14,070	13,911	5,262	4,811	3,349	1,335	52	224	43,014
Commercial Vehicles, &c.	6,567	4,214	3,197	1,625	1,699	631	92	64	18,089
Motor Cycles ..	737	590	386	518	289	96	13	11	2,640
Total ..	21,374	18,715	8,845	6,954	5,337	2,062	157	299	63,743
Total 1953-54 ..	67,987	50,904	28,455	21,162	16,864	7,133	420	932	193,857
1952-53 ..	53,099	43,132	23,372	17,470	13,283	5,566	(a)386	688	156,996
1951-52 ..	73,466	70,256	27,270	24,466	17,382	7,278	(b)	817	220,935
1950-51 ..	85,065	61,566	34,456	25,422	17,740	7,466	(b)	1,040	232,755
1938-39 ..	30,534	24,270	14,024	8,143	6,046	3,060	(b)	327	86,404

(a) Excludes motor cycles.

(b) Not available.

NOTE.—In each of the tables above taxis and hire cars are included with motor cars. Commonwealth- and Department of Navy vehicles are included but other Defence Service vehicles are excluded.

Prior to 12th November, 1951, primary producers' vehicles registered in Victoria included private cars and commercial vehicles, and were included in commercial vehicle registrations. Since that date only vehicles constructed for the carriage of goods and used by primary producers solely in connexion with their business are so registered.

NOTE.—More detailed statistics of Civil Aviation for the years 1943-44 to 1952-53 appear in *Transport and Communication Bulletin* No. 44, page 24.

CIVIL AVIATION.

Particulars.	Year ended 30th June—				
	1939.	1951.	1952.	1953.	1954.

REGISTRATIONS, LICENCES, ACCIDENTS, ETC.

Registered Aircraft Owners(a)	149	351	343	369	384
Registered Aircraft(a)	296	838	786	821	845
Pilots' Licences—(a)					
Private	1,096	1,065	1,444	1,677	2,035
Commercial	346	441	470	518	552
Airline Transport .. ..	..	887	948	911	917
Flight Navigators' Licences(a)	(b) 59	139	155	163	166
Radio Operators' Licences—(a)					
1st Class Flight Radio Telegraphy Operator	} (c) 75	{ 96	98	93	88
Radio Telephony Operator					
Flight Engineers' Licences—(a) .. ..	..	39	53	58	67
Ground Engineers' Licences(a)	525	1,643	1,720	1,790	1,757
Aerodromes—(a)					
Government	71	184	189	186	198
Public	213	239	269	260	262
Flying Boat Bases and Alighting Areas	11	11	11	15	16
Accidents(d)—					
Persons Killed	38	13	37	5	36
Persons Injured	15	35	22	19	27

REGULAR INTERNAL SERVICES : OPERATIONS.

Hours flown	No.	(e) 39,312	252,333	260,947	237,640	251,019
Miles flown	'000	5,302	40,680	41,831	39,059	41,014
Paying passengers .. ..	..	41	1,685	1,829	1,706	1,772
Paying passenger-miles .. ..	..	22,423	669,087	721,573	667,321	702,139
Freight—						
Actual tons(f)	tons	438	59,362	57,464	57,635	69,479
Ton-miles(f)	'000	(g)	27,102	26,684	27,167	32,650
Mail—						
Actual tons(f)	tons	(h) 72	3,233	2,682	2,311	2,316
Ton-miles(f)	'000	(g)	1,493	1,285	1,166	1,225

OVERSEA SERVICES : OPERATIONS.(i)

Unduplicated route-miles(a)	No.	6,985	43,633	43,455	66,558	64,250
Hours flown .. ..	..	12,680	48,947	50,336	54,148	53,580
Miles flown	'000	1,736	10,500	10,664	11,565	11,464
Paying passengers	No.	5,350	87,599	95,134	97,753	102,965
Paying passenger-miles	'000	7,335	241,817	265,756	275,206	290,603
Freight—						
Actual tons(f)	tons	7	2,213	2,138	1,957	2,295
Ton-miles(f)	'000	(g)	6,960	6,716	7,401	8,331
Mail—						
Actual tons(f)	tons	(g)	943	1,141	1,168	1,379
Ton-miles(f)	'000	(g)	5,367	6,162	6,122	7,718

(a) At end of period. (b) Navigators' licences. (c) Aircraft Radio Telegraph Operators.
 (d) Accidents involving Australian aircraft. (e) Includes oversea services of Qantas Empire
 Airways Ltd., and related to subsidized services only. (f) Short tons (2,000 lb.). (g) Not
 available. (h) Net weight. (i) Includes particulars for Qantas, T.E.A.L., B.C.P.A., but excludes
 particulars for Canadian Pacific Airlines, K.L.M. and Pan-American Airways.

NOTE.—More detailed statistics of Posts, Telegraphs and Telephones for the years 1943-44 to 1952-53 appear in *Transport and Communication Bulletin* No. 44, on pages 47-68. Further details of Road Traffic Accidents are included in pages 27-33.

TELEPHONES—LINES AND INSTRUMENTS CONNECTED.

(Number.)

Particulars.	At 30th June—				At 30th September, 1954.
	1939.	1952.	1953.	1954.	
Lines connected ..	487,535	927,273	985,383	1,049,626	1,068,496
Instruments connected ..	661,996	1,300,790	1,383,702	1,475,513	1,504,135

BROADCASTING—LISTENERS' LICENCES.

(Number.)

In force at—	N.S.W. (a)	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tasmania.	Australia. (b)
30th June, 1939 ..	433,029	327,579	133,217	117,307	79,262	39,392	1,129,786
" " 1950(c)	748,268	557,556	274,278	227,911	149,328	72,286	2,029,628
" " 1951(c)	753,758	586,393	288,019	244,311	159,436	77,743	2,109,660
" " 1952 ..	741,355	520,364	279,852	208,691	141,950	68,832	1,961,044
" " 1953 ..	742,002	533,329	282,338	212,104	145,141	70,741	1,985,655
" " 1954 ..	769,478	545,148	287,683	220,065	148,192	71,047	2,041,613
30th Sept., 1954 ..	764,726	538,067	287,307	220,162	148,518	71,253	2,030,027

(a) Includes Australian Capital Territory. (b) Includes Northern Territory. (c) Includes separate licences in respect of more than one receiver owned by one person.

ROAD TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS.

(Reported to the Police.)

State or Territory, and Period.	Total Accidents Reported. (a).	Accidents involving Casualties.(b)	Persons Killed.			Persons Injured.(c)		
			Number.	Per Million of Population.	Per 100,000 Motor Vehicles.	Number.	Per Million of Population.	Per 100,000 Motor Vehicles.
TWELVE MONTHS ENDED 30TH JUNE, 1954.								
New South Wales ..	29,514	11,691	728	210	110	14,660	4,230	2,240
Victoria ..	15,729	10,122	491	200	90	12,807	5,310	2,300
Queensland ..	17,875	6,349	278	220	100	7,933	6,230	2,790
South Australia ..	10,320	2,742	153	200	70	3,420	4,470	1,570
Western Australia ..	8,979	3,079	175	280	110	3,935	6,220	2,560
Tasmania ..	3,957	982	67	210	100	1,156	3,650	1,760
Australian Capital Territory ..	265	143	6	190	80	174	5,630	2,230
Total 1953-54 ..	86,639	35,108	1,898	210	100	44,085	4,950	2,270
Year 1952-53(d) ..	75,295	31,635	1,856	213	101	39,405	4,513	2,147
„ 1951-52(d) ..	68,110	31,144	2,054	241	116	38,376	4,502	2,174
„ 1950-51(d) ..	57,261	28,760	1,926	232	122	35,095	4,230	2,227

(a) Total accidents causing death or injury to persons, or damage exceeding £10 to property. (b) Accidents involving persons killed and persons injured to an extent requiring surgical or medical treatment. (c) Persons injured to an extent requiring surgical or medical treatment. (d) Excludes Northern Territory.

Section X.—Employment, Unemployment and Wages.

WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS IN CIVILIAN EMPLOYMENT—AUSTRALIA.(a)
(‘000.)

Month.	Total Employment. (Excluding Rural, Household Domestic and Defence Forces.)			Total Employment in Main Industrial Groups.						
	Governmental Authorities. (b)	Private Employers.	Total.	Mining and Quarrying.	Factories. (c)	Building and Construction.	Transport and Communication.	Retail Trade.	Other Commerce and Finance.	Professional and Personal Services. (d)
MALES.										
1939—July	349.8	943.3	1,293.1	52.2	391.5	149.7	185.9	259.7		133.6
1952—June	578.4	1,329.7	1,908.1	58.8	661.6	214.0	299.9	124.8	191.2	173.2
1953—June	567.8	1,319.0	1,886.8	58.0	666.3	193.2	295.1	125.0	191.0	174.1
1954—June	581.4	1,367.0	1,948.4	58.7	696.1	205.7	300.1	128.4	198.3	176.6
1953—April	567.7	1,314.7	1,882.4	59.0	661.3	193.8	294.1	124.5	191.3	174.3
May	568.1	1,316.8	1,884.9	58.5	663.5	194.4	294.8	124.8	191.1	173.8
June	567.8	1,319.0	1,886.8	58.0	666.3	193.2	295.1	125.0	191.0	174.1
July	566.1	1,316.3	1,882.4	58.5	667.2	191.2	293.7	124.3	189.6	173.7
Aug.	566.8	1,319.4	1,886.2	58.3	669.0	190.3	295.5	124.5	190.4	174.0
Sept.	566.7	1,323.6	1,890.3	58.5	671.4	189.7	295.7	124.8	191.8	174.1
1954—April	577.8	1,358.3	1,936.1	58.5	690.2	201.8	299.1	127.6	197.9	177.0
May	580.0	1,361.9	1,941.9	58.6	692.4	205.1	299.0	128.4	198.0	176.2
June	581.4	1,367.0	1,948.4	58.7	696.1	205.7	300.1	128.4	198.3	176.6
July	582.1	1,365.2	1,947.3	57.9	696.1	205.2	300.8	128.0	198.2	176.1
Aug.	582.4	1,366.9	1,949.3	57.9	697.8	204.0	300.9	128.0	199.4	176.3
Sept.	581.9	1,371.2	1,953.1	57.8	698.9	204.5	300.6	128.2	200.6	177.3
FEMALES.										
1939—July	55.2	381.9	437.1	0.3	148.2	1.2	12.6	114.9		129.0
1952—June	115.3	564.1	679.4	0.9	199.2	4.2	39.5	112.6	72.9	215.0
1953—June	112.0	561.7	673.7	0.9	202.9	4.3	36.2	109.9	71.5	213.5
1954—June	114.5	593.0	707.5	1.0	219.8	4.7	36.5	115.3	77.0	218.7
1953—April	112.3	563.8	676.1	1.0	203.2	4.3	36.5	109.6	71.9	215.3
May	112.1	562.8	674.9	0.9	202.8	4.3	36.4	109.9	71.9	214.5
June	112.0	561.7	673.7	0.9	202.9	4.3	36.2	109.9	71.5	213.5
July	112.5	562.8	675.3	0.9	204.2	4.4	36.2	109.8	71.7	213.1
Aug.	112.5	565.0	677.5	0.9	205.1	4.4	36.0	109.7	72.4	214.0
Sept.	112.4	569.1	681.5	0.9	207.7	4.5	36.1	110.2	72.5	214.7
1954—April	114.4	593.1	707.5	0.9	221.5	4.7	36.4	114.1	76.7	218.7
May	114.6	592.7	707.3	1.0	220.4	4.7	36.4	114.7	76.7	219.0
June	114.5	593.0	707.5	1.0	219.8	4.7	36.5	115.3	77.0	218.7
July	115.4	593.7	709.1	1.0	220.5	4.7	36.4	114.9	77.6	218.8
Aug.	116.0	594.5	710.5	1.0	220.7	4.7	36.7	114.9	78.1	219.0
Sept.	116.1	598.5	714.6	1.0	220.0	4.7	36.9	115.9	78.7	220.4
PERSONS.										
1939—July	405.0	1,325.2	1,730.2	52.5	539.7	150.9	198.5	374.6		262.6
1952—June	693.7	1,893.8	2,587.5	59.7	860.8	218.2	339.4	237.4	264.1	388.2
1953—June	679.8	1,880.7	2,560.5	58.9	869.2	197.5	331.3	234.9	262.5	387.6
1954—June	695.9	1,960.0	2,655.9	59.7	915.9	210.4	336.6	243.7	275.3	395.3
1953—April	680.0	1,878.5	2,558.5	60.0	864.5	198.1	330.6	234.1	263.2	389.6
May	680.2	1,879.6	2,559.8	59.4	866.3	198.7	331.2	234.7	263.0	388.3
June	679.8	1,880.7	2,560.5	58.9	869.2	197.5	331.3	234.9	262.5	387.6
July	678.6	1,879.1	2,557.7	59.4	871.4	195.6	329.9	234.1	261.3	386.8
Aug.	679.3	1,884.4	2,563.7	59.2	874.1	194.7	331.5	234.2	262.8	388.0
Sept.	679.1	1,892.7	2,571.8	59.4	879.1	194.2	331.8	235.0	264.3	388.8
1954—April	692.2	1,951.4	2,643.6	59.4	911.7	206.5	335.5	241.7	274.6	395.7
May	694.6	1,954.6	2,649.2	59.6	912.8	209.8	335.4	243.1	274.7	395.2
June	695.9	1,960.0	2,655.9	59.7	915.9	210.4	336.6	243.7	275.3	395.3
July	697.5	1,958.9	2,656.4	58.9	916.6	209.9	337.2	242.9	275.8	394.9
Aug.	698.4	1,961.4	2,659.8	58.9	918.5	208.7	337.6	242.9	277.5	395.3
Sept.	698.0	1,969.7	2,667.7	58.8	920.9	209.2	337.5	244.1	279.3	397.7

(a) Employees in the Defence Forces at home or abroad and National Service Trainees in camp are excluded. From July, 1941, estimated total employment is based on Pay-roll Tax returns and records of Government employment. All figures for months subsequent to May, 1945 (Factories, June, 1948), subject to revision. (b) Includes all employees of Governmental Authorities (Commonwealth, State, Local and Semi-Governmental) on services such as railways, tramways, banks, post-offices, air transport, education, broadcasting, police, public works, factories and munitions establishments, migrant hostels, &c., as well as administrative employees within Australia. (c) From July, 1948, monthly figures are estimates subject to revision. (d) Includes Education, Health, Hotels and Restaurants, Professional and Personal Services (except female private domestic).

WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS IN CIVILIAN EMPLOYMENT—STATES.(a)

('000.)

Month.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Australia.
MALES.									
1939—July ..	529.9	357.5	172.8	106.7	82.9	37.4	2.1	3.8	1,293.1
1950—June ..	740.8	510.7	250.4	165.7	120.5	58.4	4.5	7.7	1,858.7
1951—June ..	758.2	525.8	259.3	170.0	125.3	60.2	4.6	8.1	1,911.5
1952—June ..	754.4	524.4	258.1	171.5	126.0	61.0	4.4	8.3	1,908.1
1953—June ..	734.3	521.6	255.2	170.6	130.2	61.8	4.6	8.5	1,886.8
1954—June ..	758.1	539.7	263.7	176.0	135.0	62.8	4.9	8.2	1,948.4
1953—April ..	732.3	522.6	252.5	169.9	129.7	62.3	4.5	8.6	1,882.4
May ..	734.1	521.9	253.6	170.0	129.7	62.4	4.6	8.6	1,884.9
June ..	734.3	521.6	255.2	170.6	130.2	61.8	4.6	8.5	1,886.8
July ..	735.0	520.4	254.7	169.4	130.5	61.3	4.7	8.4	1,882.4
Aug. ..	735.3	521.9	256.1	170.2	130.3	61.1	4.8	8.5	1,886.2
Sept. ..	735.3	522.4	256.0	171.3	130.9	61.1	4.8	8.5	1,890.3
1954—April ..	753.8	538.6	258.5	175.3	133.5	63.5	4.8	8.1	1,936.1
May ..	756.3	538.3	260.9	175.8	134.3	63.3	4.8	8.2	1,941.9
June ..	755.1	539.7	263.7	176.0	135.0	62.8	4.9	8.2	1,948.4
July ..	757.8	540.0	264.6	175.3	134.2	62.3	4.9	8.2	1,947.3
Aug. ..	758.8	539.9	264.9	175.8	135.0	61.9	4.8	8.2	1,949.3
Sept. ..	760.5	542.1	265.1	175.4	134.9	62.0	4.9	8.2	1,953.1
FEMALES.									
1939—July ..	168.0	142.9	53.2	34.0	26.2	11.6	0.2	1.0	437.1
1950—June ..	278.5	210.0	83.1	54.3	39.9	19.4	0.9	2.1	688.2
1951—June ..	290.9	219.6	86.1	57.0	41.6	20.3	0.8	2.5	718.8
1952—June ..	270.5	206.6	83.8	54.9	40.5	19.8	0.8	2.5	679.4
1953—June ..	266.2	205.9	83.7	53.4	41.0	20.1	0.9	2.5	673.7
1954—June ..	279.5	217.7	86.1	56.9	42.8	21.0	0.9	2.6	707.5
1953—April ..	266.8	206.9	83.6	53.9	41.2	20.3	0.9	2.5	676.1
May ..	266.6	206.4	83.6	53.5	41.2	20.2	0.9	2.5	674.9
June ..	266.2	205.9	83.7	53.4	41.0	20.1	0.9	2.5	673.7
July ..	266.8	206.5	83.9	53.6	41.2	19.9	0.9	2.5	675.3
Aug. ..	268.1	206.8	84.2	53.9	41.3	19.8	0.9	2.5	677.5
Sept. ..	269.8	208.6	84.4	54.2	41.4	19.7	0.9	2.5	681.5
1954—April ..	278.6	218.8	85.2	57.6	42.8	21.0	0.9	2.6	707.5
May ..	279.5	217.7	85.5	57.2	42.8	21.1	0.9	2.6	707.3
June ..	279.5	217.7	86.1	56.9	42.8	21.0	0.9	2.6	707.5
July ..	279.9	218.2	86.8	57.1	43.0	20.6	0.9	2.6	709.1
Aug. ..	281.4	218.2	86.9	57.4	42.9	20.2	0.9	2.6	710.5
Sept. ..	283.7	219.1	86.9	57.8	43.2	20.3	0.9	2.7	714.6
PERSONS.									
1939—July ..	697.9	500.4	226.0	140.7	109.1	49.0	2.3	4.8	1,730.2
1950—June ..	1,019.3	720.7	333.5	220.0	160.4	77.8	5.4	9.8	2,546.9
1951—June ..	1,049.1	745.4	345.4	227.0	166.9	80.5	5.4	10.6	2,630.3
1952—June ..	1,024.9	731.0	341.9	226.4	166.5	80.8	5.2	10.8	2,587.5
1953—June ..	1,000.5	727.5	338.9	224.0	171.2	81.9	5.5	11.0	2,560.5
1954—June ..	1,037.6	757.4	349.8	232.9	177.8	83.8	5.8	10.8	2,655.9
1953—April ..	999.1	729.5	336.1	223.8	170.9	82.6	5.4	11.1	2,558.5
May ..	1,000.7	728.3	337.2	223.5	170.9	82.6	5.5	11.1	2,559.8
June ..	1,000.5	727.5	338.9	224.0	171.2	81.9	5.5	11.0	2,560.5
July ..	999.8	726.9	338.6	223.0	171.7	81.2	5.6	10.9	2,557.7
Aug. ..	1,001.4	728.7	340.3	224.1	171.6	80.9	5.7	11.0	2,563.7
Sept. ..	1,005.1	731.0	340.4	225.5	172.3	80.8	5.7	11.0	2,571.8
1954—April ..	1,032.4	757.4	343.7	232.9	176.3	84.5	5.7	10.7	2,643.6
May ..	1,035.8	756.0	346.4	233.0	177.1	84.4	5.7	10.8	2,649.2
June ..	1,037.6	757.4	349.8	232.9	177.8	83.8	5.8	10.8	2,655.9
July ..	1,037.7	758.2	351.4	232.4	177.2	82.9	5.8	10.8	2,656.4
Aug. ..	1,040.2	758.1	351.8	233.2	177.9	82.1	5.7	10.8	2,659.8
Sept. ..	1,044.2	761.2	352.0	233.2	178.1	82.3	5.8	10.9	2,667.7

(a) Excludes Rural, Household Domestic, Defence Forces and National Service Trainees in camp. See also notes on previous page.

WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS EMPLOYED IN FACTORIES.

Period.	New South Wales.	Vic-toria.	Queens-land.	South Aus-tralia.	Western Aus-tralia.	Tas-manian.	Australia.				
							Males.	Fe-males.	Per-sons.	Index av. 3 years ended June, 1939 = 1,000.	
										Unad-justed.	Ad-justed. (a)
1938-39(b) ..	'000. 219.5	'000. 193.9	'000. 61.5	'000. 42.0	'000. 22.1	'000. 13.2	'000. 391.8	'000. 150.4	'000. 542.2	1,031	1,022
1949-50(b)(c) ..	358.8	281.5	79.6	75.7	36.6	21.9	636.9	217.2	854.1	1,624	1,386
1950-51(b)(c) ..	379.0	290.4	83.2	80.8	38.6	22.2	664.8	229.4	894.2	1,701	1,408
1951-52(b)(c) ..	377.9	292.2	83.1	81.3	38.9	22.0	672.4	223.0	895.4	1,703	1,369
1952-53(b)(c) ..	351.4	279.1	82.1	77.2	38.7	21.5	652.7	197.3	850.0	1,617	1,268
1953-54(b)(c) ..	369.6	296.1	85.0	82.2	40.3	22.4	681.1	214.5	895.6	1,703	1,312
1953-54—											
July ..	358.7	286.9	85.9	78.3	39.9	21.7	667.2	204.2	871.4	1,657	1,286
August ..	359.4	287.9	86.5	79.0	39.9	21.4	669.0	205.1	874.1	1,662	1,290
September ..	362.3	289.7	86.1	79.6	39.9	21.5	671.4	207.7	879.1	1,672	1,296
October ..	367.1	292.3	85.2	80.1	40.0	21.7	675.3	211.1	886.4	1,686	1,306
November ..	370.2	294.3	85.2	80.9	40.2	21.8	679.4	213.2	892.6	1,698	1,313
December ..	370.5	294.1	82.5	82.3	40.3	22.3	678.1	213.9	892.0	1,696	1,310
January ..	371.0	296.4	81.9	83.9	40.3	23.0	680.7	215.8	896.5	1,705	1,311
February ..	373.7	299.8	83.3	84.0	40.4	22.5	685.2	218.5	903.7	1,719	1,319
March ..	374.9	303.4	84.0	84.6	40.7	23.1	688.3	222.4	910.7	1,732	1,327
April ..	375.0	303.7	84.4	84.7	40.5	23.4	690.2	221.5	911.7	1,734	1,327
May ..	376.0	302.1	86.3	84.4	40.6	23.4	692.4	220.4	912.8	1,736	1,326
June ..	376.7	302.7	88.1	84.3	40.8	23.3	696.1	219.8	915.9	1,742	1,329
1954-55											
July ..	377.1	303.2	89.0	83.9	40.6	22.8	696.1	220.5	916.6	1,743	1,330
August ..	378.5	303.9	89.0	84.2	40.6	22.3	697.8	220.7	918.5	1,747	1,333
September ..	380.4	304.9	88.8	84.1	40.5	22.2	698.9	222.0	920.9	1,752	1,336

(a) Divided by Index of Total Population.
monthly figures are estimates, subject to revision.

(b) Average of monthly figures.

(c) From July, 1948,

WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS EMPLOYED IN RETAIL TRADE.(a)
('000.)

Period.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Australia.(b)		
							Males.	Females.	Persons.
1949-50(c) ..	93.4	66.8	30.2	23.1	17.6	7.0	126.7	112.0	238.7
1950-51(c) ..	97.2	68.8	31.1	23.9	18.2	7.3	129.3	117.8	247.1
1951-52(c) ..	95.9	68.6	31.3	23.6	18.4	7.3	128.0	117.7	245.7
1952-53(c) ..	90.1	66.1	30.0	22.4	18.1	7.2	124.2	110.4	234.6
1953-54(c) ..	93.0	67.5	30.6	23.1	19.0	7.5	127.2	114.0	241.2
1953-54—									
July ..	89.8	65.4	30.2	22.4	18.4	7.3	124.3	109.8	234.1
August ..	90.1	65.4	30.1	22.4	18.3	7.3	124.5	109.7	234.2
September ..	90.1	65.8	30.2	22.6	18.4	7.2	124.8	110.2	235.0
October ..	90.9	66.4	30.4	22.7	18.7	7.3	125.5	111.5	237.0
November ..	95.2	67.7	31.0	23.5	19.0	7.6	127.8	116.7	244.5
December ..	99.1	71.7	31.8	23.4	19.7	7.9	131.7	122.4	254.1
January ..	95.2	67.5	31.3	23.3	19.3	7.9	128.4	116.8	245.2
February ..	92.7	67.3	30.3	23.0	19.0	7.6	127.1	113.5	240.6
March ..	93.0	67.7	30.2	23.1	19.0	7.5	127.3	113.7	241.0
April ..	92.8	68.1	30.2	23.4	19.1	7.5	127.6	114.1	241.7
May ..	93.6	68.2	30.4	23.4	19.3	7.5	128.4	114.7	243.1
June ..	93.6	68.5	30.8	23.4	19.3	7.4	128.4	115.3	243.7
1954-55—									
July ..	93.2	68.3	30.7	23.3	19.4	7.5	128.0	114.9	242.9
August ..	93.4	68.1	30.8	23.3	19.2	7.4	128.0	114.9	242.9
September ..	93.9	68.3	31.0	23.6	19.2	7.6	128.2	115.9	244.1

(a) Estimates based on Pay-roll Tax returns. Figures from June, 1945, subject to revision.
(b) Includes Northern Territory and Australian Capital Territory.

(c) Average of monthly figures.

UNEMPLOYMENT AND SICKNESS BENEFITS.

Average Number of Persons on Benefit at end of each week.(a)

(For particulars of benefits paid, see page 66.)

Period.	N.S.W. (b)	Vic.	Q'land.	S.A. (c)	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Aust.
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UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFIT.

1947-48	664	150	2,632	51	409	33	3,939
1948-49	270	32	1,100	14	126	31	1,573
1949-50	10,728	128	1,578	326	267	30	..	..	13,057
1950-51	293	90	320	6	60	15	..	..	784
1951-52	795	162	1,348	17	57	12	..	..	2,391
1952-53	17,270	6,114	4,135	841	844	256	..	..	29,510
1953-54	6,859	2,856	3,177	270	427	223	..	..	13,812
Quarter ended—									
September, 1952	10,775	4,842	2,442	662	738	233	..	..	19,692
December, „	20,400	7,518	3,290	1,082	964	335	..	..	33,589
March, 1953	21,766	6,556	6,322	990	997	213	..	..	36,844
June, „	16,137	5,539	4,688	631	675	245	..	..	27,915
September, „	12,813	5,563	2,909	610	733	421	..	..	23,049
December, „	6,713	2,919	2,630	259	423	267	..	..	13,211
March, 1954	4,803	1,745	4,697	130	322	110	..	..	11,807
June, „	3,108	1,196	2,473	79	231	94	..	..	7,181
September, „	2,363	1,025	1,137	88	172	138	..	3	4,926

SICKNESS BENEFIT.

1947-48	3,299	2,228	1,062	791	691	430	..	..	8,501
1948-49	3,018	1,928	978	709	600	395	..	..	7,628
1949-50	2,971	1,960	997	727	497	390	..	..	7,552
1950-51	2,883	1,835	958	657	475	317	..	..	7,125
1951-52	2,593	1,584	935	695	461	218	..	..	6,486
1952-53	2,991	1,706	1,027	670	433	227	..	..	7,054
1953-54	3,340	1,975	1,241	693	479	239	..	..	7,967
Quarter ended—									
September, 1952	2,567	1,602	919	680	424	222	..	..	6,414
December, „	2,920	1,543	1,041	622	402	225	..	..	6,753
March, 1953	3,213	1,723	1,038	667	423	217	..	..	7,281
June, „	3,262	1,956	1,109	713	482	245	..	..	7,767
September, „	3,525	2,121	1,251	735	504	269	..	..	8,405
December, „	3,413	2,031	1,263	734	493	246	..	..	8,180
March, 1954	3,160	1,834	1,212	646	464	215	..	..	7,531
June, „	3,262	1,916	1,239	658	454	223	..	..	7,752
September, „	3,564	2,095	1,258	696	485	252	4	12	8,366

(a) In addition, the average number of persons (excluding migrants) receiving Special Benefits at end of each week were:—1947-48, 494; 1948-49, 574; 1949-50, 877; 1950-51, 863; 1951-52, 987; 1952-53, 1,372; and 1953-54, 1,859.

(b) Includes Australian Capital Territory to June, 1954.

(c) Includes Northern Territory to June, 1954.

INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES (CAUSING STOPPAGE OF WORK)—STATES.

Period.	Dis- putes.	Workers Involved.			Working Days Lost.			Esti- mated Loss in Wages. £
		Di- rectly.	Indi- rectly. (a)	Total.	New Dis- putes.	Old Dis- putes.	Total.	
NEW SOUTH WALES.								
Year—1953(b) ..	1,080	302,007	6,375	308,382	758,415	976	759,391	2,403,242
1953—Sept. Qtr.	287	105,159	1,975	107,134	241,318	32,474	273,792	850,706
Dec. "	218	64,984	646	65,630	99,515	2,508	102,023	317,459
1954—Mar. ,(c)	282	43,202	461	43,663	75,939	6,236	82,175	276,103
June "	260	44,902	545	45,447	62,240	18,175	80,415	270,927
Sept. "	329	89,061	2,732	91,793	169,701	14,220	183,921	591,062
VICTORIA.								
Year—1953 ..	53	65,962	2,164	68,126	57,160	..	57,160	176,330
1953—Sept. Qtr.	13	31,746	93	31,839	24,332	..	24,332	78,070
Dec. "	17	20,458	11	20,469	13,856	2,233	16,089	54,036
1954—Mar. "	24	19,411	36	19,447	28,262	..	28,262	97,358
June "	17	9,931	605	10,536	26,379	..	26,379	81,823
Sept. "	19	3,618	517	4,135	13,096	2,670	15,766	49,472
QUEENSLAND.								
Year—1953 ..	265	87,986	3,511	91,497	153,448	..	153,448	465,830
1953—Sept. Qtr.	67	26,723	940	27,663	39,449	2,932	42,381	133,065
Dec. "	83	21,160	614	21,774	33,657	7,176	40,833	125,171
1954—Mar. "	72	16,033	1,525	17,558	21,290	..	21,290	72,299
June "	59	18,176	2,283	20,459	30,622	30,725	61,347	185,023
Sept. "	78	20,909	1,675	22,584	38,561	..	38,561	131,291
SOUTH AUSTRALIA.								
Year—1953(b) ..	24	18,502	190	18,692	24,676	30,800	55,476	200,610
1953—Sept. Qtr.	6	8,020	44	8,064	16,182	..	16,182	52,096
Dec. "	5	961	..	961	668	..	668	2,141
1954—Mar. "	1	900	..	900	514	..	514	1,800
June "	9	2,385	25	2,410	2,969	..	2,969	10,400
Sept. "	6	1,349	..	1,349	2,709	395	3,104	10,047
WESTERN AUSTRALIA.								
Year—1953 ..	11	3,665	..	3,665	4,977	..	4,977	15,663
1953—Sept. Qtr.	1	129	..	129	64	..	64	185
Dec. "	1	87	..	87	47	..	47	150
1954—Mar. "	2	39	..	39	39	..	39	112
June "	1	1,294	..	1,294	1,908	..	1,908	6,681
Sept. "	5	1,757	78	1,835	1,924	..	1,924	6,644
TASMANIA.								
Year—1953 ..	18	5,069	6	5,075	18,441	..	18,441	68,259
1953—Sept. Qtr.	3	1,746	..	1,746	1,141	..	1,141	3,681
Dec. "	3	450	6	456	9,278	..	9,278	38,505
1954—Mar. ,(c)	6	811	6	817	1,530	5,664	7,194	39,275
June "	6	1,522	..	1,522	1,428	..	1,428	4,816
Sept. "	10	1,215	130	1,345	4,700	..	4,700	16,841
AUSTRALIA.(d)								
Year—1953(b) ..	1,459	483,800	12,246	496,046	1,019,054	31,776	1,050,830	3,337,437
1953—Sept. Qtr.	382	173,872	3,052	176,924	324,191	35,406	359,597	1,124,562
Dec. "	328	108,220	1,277	109,497	157,111	11,927	169,038	537,780
1954—Mar. ,(c)	389	80,534	2,028	82,562	127,949	11,900	139,849	488,189
June "	353	78,330	3,458	81,788	125,723	48,900	174,623	500,289
Sept. "	447	117,909	5,132	123,041	230,691	17,285	247,976	805,357

(a) Persons thrown out of work at the establishments where the stoppages occurred but not themselves parties to the dispute. (b) Includes disputes not settled at end of 1952. (c) Includes disputes not settled at end of 1953. (d) Includes Australian Capital Territory and Northern Territory.

INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES (CAUSING STOPPAGE OF WORK) : INDUSTRIAL GROUPS, AUSTRALIA.

Period.	Manu- facturing. (Groups I. to VI.)	Building. (Group VII.)	Mining. (Group VIII.)		Transport, Land and Sea. (Groups IX. to XI.)	Miscel- laneous. (Groups XII. to XIV.)	All Groups
			(I) Coal- mining.	(II) Other Mining.			
NUMBER.							
1939	20	3	362	4	6	21	416
1950	118	21	953	3	159	22	1,276
1951	142	25	912	4	242	19	1,344
1952	164	27	1,210	7	202	8	1,627
1953	143	41	944	6	311	14	1,459
1953—							
Sept. Qtr. ..	44	10	250	3	71	4	382
Dec. " ..	39	8	181	2	96	2	328
1954—							
March Qtr. ..	42	19	260	1	64	3	389
June " ..	47	8	216	..	82	..	353
Sept. " ..	58	13	279	2	88	7	447

WORKERS INVOLVED.

1939	8,818	57	137,792	900	2,017	3,246	152,830
1950	80,994	10,768	178,734	3,638	150,462	7,105	431,701
1951	71,606	3,667	172,732	2,843	156,608	1,136	408,592
1952	157,870	1,862	193,066	4,769	145,033	3,134	505,734
1953	155,249	8,417	147,791	3,020	179,786	1,783	496,046
1953—							
Sept. Qtr. ..	89,910	1,593	33,854	519	50,921	127	176,924
Dec. " ..	43,827	853	28,340	2,198	33,297	982	109,497
1954—							
March Qtr. ..	7,376	1,819	32,851	236	40,178	102	82,562
June " ..	10,105	903	30,941	..	39,339	..	81,788
Sept. " ..	26,801	2,496	59,991	138	30,535	3,080	123,041

WORKING DAYS LOST.

1939	108,709	563	291,067	3,805	35,016	19,994	459,154
1950	231,684	18,219	283,543	18,204	1,492,195	19,043	2,062,888
1951	307,173	23,750	336,447	36,255	165,437	3,912	872,974
1952	572,169	20,079	286,749	19,743	261,109	3,655	1,163,504
1953	351,722	67,506	378,715	18,956	222,564	11,367	1,050,330
1953—							
Sept. Qtr. ..	188,088	10,317	84,772	4,693	71,335	392	359,597
Dec. " ..	54,793	4,746	48,201	10,930	43,572	6,796	169,038
1954—							
March Qtr. ..	23,361	9,428	52,245	5,664	48,859	292	139,849
June " ..	74,576	4,620	52,778	..	42,649	..	174,623
Sept. " ..	109,796	11,177	85,579	1,936	32,902	6,586	247,976

ESTIMATED LOSS IN WAGES.
(£.)

1939	83,540	424	335,033	4,728	22,114	9,877	455,716
1950	418,245	37,817	616,094	86,261	2,977,558	30,443	4,166,418
1951	752,319	59,961	863,928	189,200	382,435	8,185	2,256,023
1952	1,593,902	56,034	932,480	94,743	752,124	10,567	3,439,850
1953	1,023,366	242,500	1,247,895	80,486	703,537	39,653	3,337,437
9 53—							
Sept. Qtr. ..	547,856	33,611	291,638	17,752	232,056	1,649	1,124,562
Dec. " ..	146,349	16,667	163,309	49,434	141,646	20,375	537,780
1954—							
March Qtr. ..	76,843	35,181	177,351	34,000	163,685	1,129	488,189
June " ..	223,673	18,953	180,520	..	137,143	..	560,289
Sept. " ..	347,056	36,046	286,979	6,765	109,911	13,600	805,357

TRADE UNIONS AND MEMBERSHIP.

Year.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Australia.
NUMBER OF SEPARATE UNIONS.									
1939	200	149	114	117	141	79	4	15	(a) 380
1949	212	150	125	138	152	97	12	21	(a) 349
1950	222	152	128	138	156	98	14	23	(a) 360
1951	225	156	128	137	152	101	17	29	(a) 359
1952	223	159	129	139	151	98	15	31	(a) 360
1953	224	159	129	138	152	98	18	23	(a) 365

NUMBER OF MEMBERS.									
1939	358,391	216,803	180,653	67,282	67,833	22,062	761	1,685	915,470
1949	606,139	382,503	259,339	127,292	97,706	40,700	2,860	4,375	1,520,914
1950	642,145	406,317	262,586	137,504	103,582	45,044	2,438	5,723	1,605,344
1951	678,338	433,407	277,037	140,067	105,507	47,413	2,764	5,738	1,690,271
1952	649,163	416,349	274,908	137,495	105,462	46,948	2,340	4,877	1,637,542
1953	665,737	424,423	285,718	140,154	107,642	48,293	2,535	5,251	1,679,758

(a) Without interstate duplication. The figures represent the number of distinct organizations and interstate groups of organizations in Australia. They do not represent the total number of organizations which are practically independent and self-governing.

AVERAGE WEEKLY TOTAL WAGES PAID AND AVERAGE EARNINGS.

The following figures are derived from employment and wages recorded on Pay-roll Tax returns (which cover approximately 80 per cent. of total employment) and from estimates of the unrecorded balance. Pay of members of the armed forces is not included. An index of average weekly wage earnings, seasonally adjusted, is published in the *Monthly Review of Business Statistics*.

Period.	New South Wales. (a)	Victoria.	Queens-land.	South Australia. (b)	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Australia.
AVERAGE WEEKLY TOTAL WAGES PAID. (£'000.)							
1949-50 ..	9,018	6,370	2,838	1,894	1,315	672	22,107
1950-51 ..	11,385	7,916	3,501	2,389	1,639	817	27,647
1951-52 ..	14,364	9,816	4,319	3,018	2,108	1,059	34,684
1952-53 ..	15,090	10,490	4,750	3,311	2,344	1,178	37,163
1953-54 ..	16,043	11,305	5,065	3,561	2,586	1,280	39,840
1953-54—							
September Qtr.	15,654	11,059	4,970	3,483	2,560	1,218	38,944
December ..	16,753	11,748	5,225	3,640	2,672	1,296	41,334
March ..	15,303	10,796	4,818	3,447	2,467	1,250	38,081
June ..	16,463	11,619	5,245	3,673	2,644	1,356	41,000
1954-55—							
September Qtr.	16,765	11,848	5,344	3,750	2,729	1,277	41,713

AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS PER EMPLOYED MALE UNIT.(c) (£.)							
1949-50 ..	9.50	9.78	8.34	8.83	8.65	8.49	9.26
1950-51 ..	11.46	11.70	9.82	10.58	10.23	9.99	11.09
1951-52 ..	14.24	14.20	11.93	13.13	12.80	12.59	13.65
1952-53 ..	15.50	15.46	13.32	14.58	14.13	13.97	14.95
1953-54 ..	16.15	16.27	14.05	15.30	15.04	14.92	15.69
1953-54—							
September Qtr.	16.01	16.18	13.81	15.19	15.08	14.45	15.55
December ..	16.87	16.99	14.58	15.81	15.60	15.23	16.33
March ..	15.33	15.44	13.47	14.67	14.29	14.48	14.94
June ..	16.38	16.48	14.33	15.52	15.20	15.51	15.93
1954-55—							
September Qtr.	16.60	16.76	14.41	15.86	15.62	14.91	16.14

(a) Includes Australian Capital Territory. (b) Includes Northern Territory. (c) Male units represent total male employment plus a proportion of female employment based on the approximate ratio of female to male earnings. The same ratio has been used in each State and because the average ratio of female to male earnings may vary between States, precise comparisons between average earnings in different States cannot be made on the basis of the figures above.

NOTE.—As quarterly totals and averages are affected by seasonal influences comparisons as to trend should be made for complete years or corresponding periods of incomplete years.

**WAGES—ADULT MALES—AVERAGE NOMINAL WEEKLY AND HOURLY RATES
PAYABLE AND WEEKLY HOURS OF LABOUR, 30th SEPT., 1954.(a)**

Industrial Group.	Particulars.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Aust. (b)
I. Wood, Furniture, &c...	Weekly Wage	285/5	275/11	264/6	270/9	285/5	282/0	278/1
	Working Hours	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00
	Hourly Wage	7/1½	6/10½	6/7½	6/9½	7/1½	7/0½	6/11½
II. Engineering Works, &c. Metal	Weekly Wage	279/10	270/10	276/7	267/5	286/11	282/10	275/8
	Working Hours	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00
	Hourly Wage	7/0	6/9½	6/11	6/8½	7/2	7/0½	6/10½
III. Food, Drink, &c. ..	Weekly Wage	283/4	284/5	265/2	280/9	280/1	291/7	280/0
	Working Hours	40.00	39.93	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	39.98
	Hourly Wage	7/1	7/1½	6/7½	7/0½	7/0	7/3½	7/0
IV. Clothing, Textiles, &c.	Weekly Wage	276/6	278/3	284/4	284/4	287/7	275/7	278/10
	Working Hours	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00
	Hourly Wage	6/11	6/11½	7/1½	7/1½	7/2½	6/10½	6/11½
V. Books, Printing, &c. ..	Weekly Wage	320/5	316/6	297/8	307/1	315/2	324/0	315/2
	Working Hours	40.00	39.51	40.00	40.00	37.69	40.00	39.72
	Hourly Wage	8/0½	8/0	7/5½	7/8	8/4½	8/1½	7/11½
VI. Other Manufacturing ..	Weekly Wage	283/10	273/11	259/0	273/11	281/7	283/11	277/2
	Working Hours	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00
	Hourly Wage	7/1½	6/10½	6/5½	6/10½	7/0½	7/1½	6/11½
VII. Building ..	Weekly Wage	313/0	297/6	299/8	287/8	302/7	298/9	303/2
	Working Hours	39.94	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	39.98
	Hourly Wage	7/10	7/5½	7/6	7/2½	7/6½	7/5½	7/7
VIII. Mining (c) ..	Weekly Wage	290/2	283/1	273/2	272/1	307/8	286/11	288/3
	Working Hours	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	38.15	40.00	39.69
	Hourly Wage	7/3	7/1	6/10	6/9½	8/0½	7/2	7/3½
IX. Rail and Tram Services	Weekly Wage	286/0	278/0	269/1	267/4	280/0	281/5	278/11
	Working Hours	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00
	Hourly Wage	7/1½	6/11½	6/8½	6/8½	7/0	7/0½	6/11½
X. Other Land Transport	Weekly Wage	280/4	265/4	255/1	261/8	279/8	274/4	270/10
	Working Hours	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00
	Hourly Wage	7/0	6/7½	6/4½	6/6½	7/0	6/10½	6/9½
XI. Shipping, &c. ..	Weekly Wagede	307/2	311/9	307/8	309/4	309/8	310/9	308/9
XII. Pastoral, Agricultural, &c.	Weekly Wageef	339/11	302/10	308/1	303/7	315/4	333/1	319/11
XIII. Domestic, Hotels, &c.	Weekly Wage	271/4	263/4	245/3	250/3	264/0	262/5	263/0
	Working Hours	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00
	Hourly Wage	6/9½	6/7	6/1	6/3	6/7½	6/6½	6/7
XIV. Miscellaneous ..	Weekly Wage	278/2	269/10	253/10	260/5	272/6	270/10	270/4
	Working Hours	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00
	Hourly Wage	6/11½	6/9	6/4½	6/6½	6/9½	6/9½	6/9
All Groups (b)	Weekly Wage	296/9	282/2	278/3	278/9	292/5	296/11	288/2
All Groups except XI. and XII.(b)	Weekly Wage	285/3	276/10	265/11	269/3	286/9	281/2	278/10
	Working Hours	39.99	39.98	40.00	40.00	39.51	40.00	39.95
	Hourly Wage	7/1½	6/11	6/7½	6/8½	7/3	7/0½	6/11½

(a) The figures of nominal wages and hours of labour are in course of revision to meet changes in industrial structure. The amount shown should not be regarded as actual current averages, but as an index of changes expressed in money and hour terms.

(b) Weighted average.

(c) Average rates of wages and hours prevailing at the principal mining centres in each State.

(d) Average rates of wages are for occupations other than Masters, Officers and Engineers in the Merchant Marine Service, and include value of keep, where supplied.

(e) Definite particulars for the computation of average working hours and hourly rates of wages are not available.

(f) Includes the value of keep, where supplied.

WAGES—ADULT FEMALES—AVERAGE NOMINAL WEEKLY AND HOURLY RATES PAYABLE AND WEEKLY HOURS OF LABOUR, 30th SEPTEMBER, 1954.(a)

Industrial Group.	Particulars.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Aust. (b)
III. Food, Drink, &c.	Weekly Wage	193/6	193/4	171/9	199/3	171/10	198/3	191/8
	Working Hours	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.0
	Hourly Wage	4/10	4/10	4/3½	4/11½	4/3½	4/11½	4/9½
IV. Clothing, Textiles, &c.	Weekly Wage	194/9	195/11	199/8	199/8	201/0	198/3	196/6
	Working Hours	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.0
	Hourly Wage	4/10½	4/10½	5/0	5/0	5/0½	4/11½	4/11
I., II., V., & VI. All other Manufacturing	Weekly Wage	206/0	198/4	188/1	209/7	..	201/6	201/2
	Working Hours	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	..	40.00	40.00
	Hourly Wage	5/1½	4/11½	4/8½	5/2½	..	5/0½	5/0½
XIII. Domestic, Hotels, &c...	Weekly Wage	191/5	199/5	169/9	196/10	180/5	191/5	189/5
	Working Hours	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00
	Hourly Wage	4/9½	4/11½	4/3	4/11	4/6½	4/9½	4/8½
XIV. Shop Assistants, Clerks, &c.	Weekly Wage	210/3	218/10	195/5	198/9	..	..	210/3
	Working Hours	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	..	..	40.00
	Hourly Wage	5/3	5/5½	4/10½	4/11½	..	..	5/3
All Groups (b)	Weekly Wage	198/8	200/9	189/8	199/6	190/5	196/7	198/1
	Working Hours	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00	40.00
	Hourly Wage	4/11½	5/0½	4/9	4/11½	4/9	4/11	4/11½

(a) See note (a) on previous page.

(b) Weighted average.

WAGES—WEIGHTED AVERAGE NOMINAL WEEKLY RATES PAYABLE FOR A FULL WEEK'S WORK, AND WAGE INDEX NUMBERS.(a)

Date.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'ld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Aust. (b)
ADULT MALES—RATES OF WAGE.							
31st December, 1914	s. d. 56 2	s. d. 54 7	s. d. 53 5	s. d. 54 5	s. d. 62 10	s. d. 52 8	s. d. 55 7
" " 1939	96 7	93 6	97 5	88 11	100 6	89 5	95 3
" " 1950	209 6	204 5	199 10	200 6	208 3	199 7	205 6
" " 1951	255 0	245 5	240 10	241 8	251 4	247 3	248 7
" " 1952	284 8	274 5	267 9	274 6	284 7	276 2	278 2
" " 1953	296 8	282 6	273 10	278 9	292 5	296 11	287 7
30th September, 1954	296 9	282 2	278 3	278 9	292 5	296 11	288 2
ADULT MALES—INDEX NUMBERS.—(BASE: 51s. 3d. (b) IN 1911 = 1,000.)							
31st December, 1914	1,096	1,065	1,042	1,062	1,226	1,028	1,085
" " 1939	1,885	1,825	1,900	1,735	1,962	1,745	1,858
" " 1950	4,088	3,989	3,900	3,911	4,064	3,895	4,009
" " 1951	4,975	4,789	4,699	4,715	4,904	4,825	4,850
" " 1952	5,555	5,354	5,224	5,356	5,553	5,388	5,428
" " 1953	5,788	5,513	5,342	5,439	5,705	5,794	5,611
30th September, 1954	5,790	5,505	5,430	5,439	5,705	5,794	5,623
ADULT FEMALES: RATES OF WAGE.							
31st December, 1914	s. d. 26 10	s. d. 27 9	s. d. 27 1	s. d. 24 1	s. d. 37 4	s. d. 25 10	s. d. 27 5
" " 1939	53 3	51 9	55 2	49 7	55 8	50 8	52 8
" " 1950	139 11	142 11	135 11	142 1	132 3	137 2	140 5
" " 1951	171 1	172 10	161 7	171 4	163 2	168 7	170 4
" " 1952	193 11	196 2	184 4	195 8	186 0	191 2	193 5
" " 1953	198 5	200 10	188 7	199 6	190 5	196 4	197 11
30th September, 1954	198 8	200 9	189 8	199 6	190 5	196 7	198 1
ADULT FEMALES—INDEX NUMBERS.—(BASE—27s. 2d. (b) IN APRIL, 1914 = 1,000.)							
31st December, 1914	987	1,022	996	885	1,373	950	1,006
" " 1939	1,960	1,906	2,031	1,826	2,049	1,866	1,938
" " 1950	5,150	5,259	5,003	5,229	4,866	5,050	5,169
" " 1951	6,206	6,362	5,948	6,305	6,007	6,204	6,268
" " 1952	7,138	7,220	6,784	7,202	6,846	7,037	7,120
" " 1953	7,302	7,392	6,940	7,342	7,007	7,226	7,285
30th September, 1954	7,311	7,388	6,979	7,342	7,007	7,236	7,291

(a) See note (a) on previous page.

(b) Weighted average for Australia.

**BASIC WAGE—WEEKLY RATES FOR ADULT MALES UNDER AWARDS OF
COMMONWEALTH COURT OF CONCILIATION AND ARBITRATION. (a)**

Date Operative.	Sydney.	Mel- bourne.	Brisbane.	Adelaide.	Perth.	Hobart.	Six Capitals.
	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
September, 1939 ..	81 0	81 0	76 0	78 0	77 0	77 0	79 0
November, 1945 ..	99 0	98 0	93 0	93 0	94 0	94 0	96 0
December, 1946 ..	108 0	106 0	101 0	102 0	102 0	103 0	105 0
November, 1947 ..	112 0	109 0	105 0	106 0	106 0	107 0	109 0
„ 1948 ..	122 0	120 0	115 0	116 0	116 0	118 0	119 0
„ 1949 ..	132 0	130 0	125 0	126 0	129 0	128 0	129 0
„ 1950 ..	146 0	143 0	135 0	137 0	139 0	139 0	142 0
December, 1950 ..	165 0	162 0	154 0	158 0	160 0	160 0	162 0
November, 1951 ..	207 0	199 0	185 0	195 0	197 0	199 0	200 0
May, 1952 ..	223 0	212 0	207 0	211 0	214 0	214 0	216 0
August, 1952 ..	235 0	224 0	213 0	224 0	222 0	222 0	227 0
November, 1952 ..	237 0	228 0	216 0	229 0	228 0	230 0	231 0
February, 1953 ..	238 0	229 0	215 0	225 0	229 0	232 0	231 0
May, 1953 ..	241 0	232 0	217 0	228 0	231 0	239 0	234 0
August, 1953(b)	243 0	235 0	218 0	231 0	236 0	242 0	236 0

(a) Rates operative from beginning of first pay period commencing in months shown. (b) By decision of the Commonwealth Court of Conciliation and Arbitration, announced on 12th September, 1953, automatic adjustment of basic wages in accordance with variations occurring in retail price index numbers was discontinued in Commonwealth awards.

NOTE.—Since December, 1950, the female basic wage has been 75 per cent. of corresponding male rate; previously it had ranged between 54 per cent. and 75 per cent.

STATE BASIC WAGES—WEEKLY RATES.

State.	August, 1954.			November, 1954.		
	Date of Operation. (a)	Males.	Females.	Date of Operation. (a)	Males.	Females.
		s. d.	s. d.		s. d.	s. d.
New South Wales(b)—						
Metropolitan and Country, excluding Broken Hill ..	Aug., 1953	243 0	182 0	Aug., 1953	243 0	182 0
Broken Hill ..	Aug., 1953	247 0	185 0	Aug., 1953	247 0	185 0
Victoria(c) ..	Aug., 1954	236 0	177 0	Nov., 1954	234 0	175 6
Queensland—						
Southern Division (Eastern District), including Bris- bane ..	1.2.54d	225 0	151 0	1.2.54	225 0	151 0
Southern Division (Western District) ..	1.2.54d	232 4	154 8	1.2.54	232 4	154 8
Mackay Division ..	1.2.54d	230 6	153 9	1.2.54	230 6	153 9
Northern Division (Eastern District) ..	1.2.54d	235 0	156 0	1.2.54	235 0	156 0
Northern Division (Western District) ..	1.2.54d	242 4	159 8	1.2.54	242 4	159 8
South Australia(e) ..	Aug., 1953	231 0	173 0	Aug., 1953	231 0	173 0
Western Australia(f)—						
Metropolitan Area ..	27.7.53	246 6	160 3	27.7.53	246 6	160 3
South-West Land Division ..	27.7.53	246 0	159 11	27.7.53	246 0	159 11
Goldfield and other areas ..	27.7.53	249 4	162 1	27.7.53	249 4	162 1
Tasmania(g) ..	Aug., 1953	242 0	181 6	Aug., 1953	242 0	181 6

(a) Where dates are not quoted wage rates operate from beginning of first pay-period in month shown. (b) Automatic adjustment discontinued from 23rd October, 1953, following decision of the Commonwealth Court of Conciliation and Arbitration (see note (b) to previous table). (c) No basic wage declared but rates shown (Melbourne) are those commonly adopted by Wages Boards. The Labour and Industry Act requires Wages Boards to provide for the automatic adjustment of wage rates in accordance with variations in retail price index numbers. (d) By decision of Queensland Industrial Court on 11th June, 1954 in 1954 Basic Wage Inquiry, no adjustment was made to existing rates. (e) The “living wage” declared for the metropolitan area is also adopted in country areas except at Whyalla where a loading of 5s. is generally payable. The “living wage” is subject to quarterly variation according to the amount of the general automatic quarterly adjustment in the Commonwealth basic wage (now discontinued) for Adelaide. (f) Following the suspension of quarterly automatic adjustments to the Commonwealth basic wage the State Arbitration Court to date has declined to make any quarterly adjustments to the State basic wages. (g) None declared but rates shown (Hobart) are those commonly adopted by Wages Boards. From 9th December, 1953, automatic adjustment was suspended and the adjustment increases of 10s. for males and 7s. 6d. for females payable from early November, 1953, were cancelled.

Section XI.—Prices.

THE INTERIM RETAIL PRICE INDEX.

For a description of the structure and scope of the Interim Index and a comparison with that of the "C" Series, see Statistical Bulletin—*The Interim Retail Price Index (1952-53 Base Year)*, issued 24th March, 1954.

INTERIM RETAIL PRICE INDEX NUMBERS.

(Base of each Index : Year 1952-53=100)

NOTE.—The index numbers hereunder are designed to measure aggregate variations in retail prices of specified groups of items for specified cities individually. They measure variations from time to time and not differences in price level as between cities nor comparative costs of groups of items.

City.		Year ended June, 1951.	Year ended June, 1952.	Year ended June, 1953.	Year ended June, 1954.	1953.			1954.		
						June, Qtr.	Sept., Qtr.	Dec., Qtr.	Mar., Qtr.	June, Qtr.	Sept. Qtr.
GROUP I.—FOOD.											
Sydney	..	66.1	89.9	100.0	102.4	100.6	102.8	101.9	102.9	101.8	101.6
Melbourne	..	69.2	89.1	100.0	104.6	102.9	105.1	104.7	104.4	104.3	102.7
Brisbane	..	69.2	90.1	100.0	104.1	101.2	102.8	104.0	105.5	104.0	102.3
Adelaide	..	69.2	90.5	100.0	103.5	101.4	103.4	103.1	103.4	104.2	105.1
Perth ..	..	69.3	87.0	100.0	106.3	103.1	105.1	103.8	106.8	109.4	109.6
Hobart	..	66.4	86.8	100.0	107.7	102.9	108.4	109.0	106.6	106.6	106.1
Six Capitals(a)		67.9	89.4	100.0	103.7	101.7	103.9	103.4	104.0	103.7	103.0

GROUP II.—CLOTHING AND DRAPERY.										
Sydney ..	78.6	93.6	100.0	101.7	102.7	101.6	101.6	101.9	101.8	101.8
Melbourne ..	77.6	93.4	100.0	101.3	101.8	101.2	101.3	101.5	101.1	101.2
Brisbane ..	78.7	94.6	100.0	101.7	101.2	101.3	101.7	101.8	101.9	102.0
Adelaide ..	77.0	93.9	100.0	102.2	101.8	102.1	102.4	102.3	101.8	101.9
Perth ..	78.8	95.5	100.0	100.9	100.4	100.9	101.0	101.0	100.6	100.7
Hobart ..	78.9	94.7	100.0	102.6	101.7	102.3	102.8	102.8	102.6	102.6
Six Capitals(a)	78.1	93.8	100.0	101.6	102.0	101.5	101.6	101.8	101.5	101.6

GROUP III.—RENT(b) (4 AND 5 ROOMED HOUSES.)										
Sydney ..	86.6	87.7	100.0	107.7	105.2	106.2	107.2	108.7	108.8	109.3
Melbourne ..	99.4	99.6	100.0	100.8	100.1	100.4	100.6	101.0	101.3	101.5
Brisbane ..	93.7	97.7	100.0	102.9	100.5	101.8	102.5	103.6	103.7	104.4
Adelaide ..	82.8	86.0	100.0	102.7	101.8	102.1	102.4	102.9	103.8	103.8
Perth ..	82.1	94.4	100.0	110.8	100.5	101.6	101.9	103.1	136.7	147.3
Hobart ..	85.1	91.4	100.0	108.8	107.0	107.5	108.8	109.3	109.4	109.4
Six Capitals(a)	90.3	92.6	100.0	105.0	102.6	103.3	103.9	104.9	107.7	108.9

GROUP IV.—OTHER ITEMS.(c)										
Sydney ..	78.3	93.6	100.0	100.5	100.4	100.5	99.9	100.8	100.7	101.0
Melbourne ..	73.5	88.7	100.0	100.9	101.0	101.3	100.4	101.2	100.9	101.1
Brisbane ..	78.5	92.7	100.0	103.0	100.9	101.5	103.6	103.5	103.5	104.0
Adelaide ..	76.9	90.2	100.0	99.3	100.3	100.2	98.8	99.4	98.7	99.1
Perth ..	74.6	89.6	100.0	100.8	100.9	101.3	101.1	100.4	100.5	101.2
Hobart ..	72.7	89.0	100.0	108.2	103.8	109.3	109.2	109.8	104.6	104.9
Six Capitals(a)	76.3	91.3	100.0	100.9	100.7	101.0	100.5	101.2	100.9	101.2

ALL GROUPS.										
Sydney ..	74.6	91.7	100.0	102.2	101.5	102.2	101.8	102.6	102.2	102.2
Melbourne ..	75.2	91.0	100.0	102.4	101.8	102.6	102.2	102.4	102.3	101.8
Brisbane ..	76.4	92.7	100.0	103.0	101.1	102.0	103.1	103.8	103.3	102.8
Adelaide ..	74.7	90.9	100.0	102.0	101.2	102.1	101.7	102.0	102.0	102.5
Perth ..	74.5	90.7	100.0	103.9	101.6	102.7	102.2	103.3	107.6	109.0
Hobart ..	73.1	89.9	100.0	106.6	103.2	106.9	107.4	106.7	105.3	105.1
Six Capitals(a)	74.9	91.4	100.0	102.5	101.6	102.4	102.2	102.7	102.7	102.7

(a) Weighted Average. (b) See note (b) on page 102. (c) A group of items under the following headings—Electricity, Gas, and Firewood; Household Sundries; Services; Cinema Admission, Radio Licence, and Newspapers; Fares; and Tobacco and Cigarettes.

THE "C" SERIES RETAIL PRICE INDEX.

NOTE.—The retail price index numbers on this and the next three pages are related to the period 1923-27. The weighted average prices for these five years for the Six Capital Cities are made equal to 1,000.

"C" SERIES RETAIL PRICE INDEX NUMBERS—CAPITAL CITIES.

(Base of each Group : Weighted Average of Six Capital Cities, 1923-27=1,000.)

NOTE.—The index numbers given in the separate parts of the table cannot be compared with each other in order to show the relative cost of housing, food and groceries, &c., since the cost in 1923-27 in each group or combination is made equal to 1,000.

CITY.	1938.	1949.	1950.	1951.	1952.	1953.	1953.		1954.		
							Sept. Qtr.	Dec. Qtr.	Mar. Qtr.	June Qtr.	Sept. Qtr.
GROUP I. FOOD AND GROCERIES.											
Sydney	904	1,388	1,572	2,099	2,654	2,711	2,758	2,751	2,738	2,703	2,701
Melbourne	884	1,418	1,605	2,088	2,509	2,684	2,728	2,757	2,715	2,710	2,652
Brisbane	838	1,332	1,462	1,823	2,328	2,413	2,429	2,488	2,504	2,440	2,404
Adelaide	861	1,351	1,494	1,931	2,380	2,444	2,478	2,514	2,478	2,499	2,562
Perth	899	1,437	1,597	1,963	2,359	2,608	2,690	2,656	2,731	2,832	2,848
Hobart	880	1,495	1,574	1,992	2,487	2,803	2,890	2,981	2,837	2,799	2,781
Six Capitals (a) ..	886	1,394	1,566	2,041	2,526	2,641	2,686	2,702	2,683	2,670	2,654

GROUP II.—RENT (b)—4 AND 5 ROOMED HOUSES.

Sydney	1,004	1,049	1,050	1,053	1,118	1,276	1,287	1,299	1,318	1,320	1,326
Melbourne	935	976	979	980	984	988	989	990	995	997	999
Brisbane	841	869	883	934	958	981	986	993	1,004	1,005	1,012
Adelaide	868	912	929	949	1,055	1,155	1,157	1,160	1,166	1,170	1,176
Perth	872	895	901	1,065	1,185	1,205	1,210	1,215	1,230	1,632	1,768
Hobart	913	940	941	1,048	1,079	1,249	1,251	1,265	1,271	1,271	1,271
Six Capitals (a) ..	942	982	987	1,009	1,057	1,138	1,144	1,151	1,162	1,191	1,205

GROUP III.—CLOTHING.

Sydney	833	2,022	2,329	2,806	3,116	3,273	3,276	3,263	3,280	3,257	3,250
Melbourne	820	1,975	2,259	2,697	3,085	3,201	3,200	3,191	3,204	3,189	3,196
Brisbane	823	1,948	2,226	2,690	3,016	3,103	3,116	3,110	3,117	3,117	3,109
Adelaide	857	1,991	2,256	2,736	3,108	3,235	3,257	3,235	3,222	3,212	3,209
Perth	823	2,033	2,289	2,759	3,123	3,185	3,195	3,181	3,187	3,179	3,180
Hobart	848	1,992	2,286	2,752	3,089	3,212	3,230	3,247	3,250	3,239	3,229
Six Capitals (a) ..	829	1,997	2,286	2,749	3,096	3,223	3,228	3,217	3,228	3,212	3,210

GROUP IV.—MISCELLANEOUS.

Sydney	936	1,364	1,470	1,711	1,980	2,041	2,039	2,040	2,051	2,045	2,047
Melbourne	982	1,321	1,426	1,668	1,949	2,090	2,093	2,093	2,101	2,094	2,081
Brisbane	947	1,290	1,363	1,603	1,841	1,928	1,922	1,980	1,988	1,982	1,983
Adelaide	1,023	1,394	1,470	1,710	2,025	2,098	2,097	2,096	2,107	2,102	2,102
Perth	949	1,288	1,357	1,624	1,945	2,039	2,041	2,042	2,053	2,047	2,046
Hobart	933	1,219	1,293	1,600	1,920	2,137	2,185	2,188	2,200	2,097	2,101
Six Capitals (a) ..	961	1,338	1,435	1,679	1,958	2,053	2,054	2,060	2,070	2,061	2,058

TOTAL ALL GROUPS.

Sydney	913	1,439	1,593	1,933	2,265	2,368	2,388	2,385	2,391	2,373	2,372
Melbourne	896	1,415	1,565	1,880	2,170	2,285	2,301	2,310	2,301	2,295	2,273
Brisbane	852	1,348	1,472	1,760	2,063	2,135	2,143	2,176	2,187	2,163	2,150
Adelaide	888	1,393	1,521	1,833	2,159	2,246	2,264	2,272	2,260	2,265	2,289
Perth	883	1,410	1,538	1,860	2,170	2,295	2,328	2,314	2,348	2,475	2,512
Hobart	887	1,419	1,526	1,861	2,180	2,399	2,444	2,485	2,437	2,402	2,394
Six Capitals (a) ..	897	1,415	1,560	1,883	2,196	2,302	2,321	2,327	2,327	2,324	2,321

(a) Weighted average.

(b) See note (b) on page 102.

"C" SERIES RETAIL PRICE INDEX NUMBERS—FOOD AND GROCERIES.

(Base : Weighted Average of Six Capital Cities, 1923-27=1,000.)

State and Town.		1939.	1953.				1954.				Per-centage increase from August 1939, to Sept. 1954.
		August.	Month.			Sept. Qtr.	Month.			Sept. Qtr.	
			July.	Aug.	Sept.		July.	Aug.	Sept.		
NEW SOUTH WALES—											
Sydney	926	2,698	2,746	2,829	2,758	2,673	2,686	2,744	2,701	196.3	
Newcastle	960	2,746	2,782	2,815	2,781	2,751	2,750	2,767	2,756	188.2	
Broken Hill	1,069	2,970	3,000	3,052	3,007	3,000	2,955	2,961	2,972	177.0	
Goulburn	991	2,745	2,827	2,846	2,806	2,787	2,792	2,814	2,798	184.0	
Bathurst	939	2,371	2,928	2,919	2,906	2,857	2,818	2,829	2,835	201.3	
FIVE TOWNS (a) ..	932	2,708	2,756	2,833	2,766	2,688	2,698	2,751	2,712	195.2	
VICTORIA—											
Melbourne	931	2,691	2,734	2,759	2,728	2,686	2,638	2,693	2,652	182.8	
Ballarat	939	2,723	2,759	2,814	2,765	2,735	2,690	2,675	2,700	184.9	
Bendigo	915	2,682	2,717	2,740	2,713	2,669	2,639	2,645	2,651	189.1	
Geelong	942	2,685	2,753	2,773	2,737	2,691	2,664	2,660	2,672	182.4	
Warrnambool	952	2,793	2,826	2,852	2,824	2,807	2,775	2,776	2,786	191.6	
FIVE TOWNS (a) ..	932	2,693	2,736	2,762	2,730	2,688	2,642	2,636	2,655	182.8	
QUEENSLAND—											
Brisbane	855	2,391	2,439	2,458	2,429	2,374	2,365	2,474	2,404	189.4	
Toowoomba	812	2,451	2,480	2,512	2,481	2,463	2,445	2,452	2,453	202.0	
Rockhampton	893	2,461	2,487	2,533	2,494	2,531	2,490	2,492	2,504	179.1	
Townsville	948	2,601	2,597	2,629	2,609	2,618	2,604	2,608	2,610	175.1	
Bundaberg	906	2,470	2,495	2,529	2,498	2,505	2,487	2,493	2,495	175.2	
FIVE TOWNS (a) ..	862	2,416	2,458	2,481	2,452	2,412	2,399	2,483	2,431	188.1	
SOUTH AUSTRALIA—											
Adelaide	882	2,461	2,476	2,498	2,478	2,579	2,547	2,561	2,562	190.4	
Kadina, Moonta, Wallaroo	980	2,519	2,527	2,577	2,541	2,634	2,600	2,604	2,613	165.7	
Port Pirie	1,001	2,547	2,578	2,575	2,567	2,689	2,659	2,663	2,670	166.0	
Mount Gambler	930	2,545	2,575	2,617	2,579	2,627	2,595	2,610	2,611	180.6	
Peterborough	983	2,506	2,531	2,563	2,533	2,664	2,605	2,611	2,627	165.6	
FIVE TOWNS (a) ..	891	2,468	2,483	2,505	2,485	2,586	2,554	2,567	2,569	188.1	
WESTERN AUSTRALIA—											
Perth and Fremantle	947	2,699	2,694	2,676	2,690	2,884	2,831	2,828	2,848	198.6	
Kalgoorlie and Boulder	1,102	2,762	2,759	2,757	2,759	2,910	2,946	2,953	2,936	168.0	
Northam	981	2,661	2,678	2,677	2,672	2,885	2,849	2,862	2,865	191.7	
Bunbury	975	2,683	2,689	2,696	2,689	2,901	2,872	2,871	2,881	194.5	
Geraldton	958	2,729	2,733	2,740	2,734	2,937	2,909	2,924	2,923	205.2	
FIVE TOWNS (a) ..	960	2,703	2,699	2,683	2,695	2,887	2,843	2,840	2,857	195.8	
TASMANIA—											
Hobart	914	2,790	2,927	2,954	2,890	2,806	2,760	2,778	2,781	203.9	
Launceston	905	2,674	2,925	2,961	2,853	2,755	2,723	2,736	2,738	202.3	
Burnie	942	2,711	2,856	2,886	2,818	2,763	2,734	2,738	2,745	190.7	
Devonport	930	2,683	2,876	2,924	2,828	2,752	2,742	2,731	2,742	193.7	
Queenstown	1,018	2,873	3,003	3,108	2,995	2,945	2,908	2,917	2,923	186.5	
FIVE TOWNS (a) ..	917	2,749	2,924	2,958	2,877	2,791	2,752	2,766	2,770	201.6	
THIRTY TOWNS (a) ..	922	2,649	2,692	2,735	2,692	2,664	2,645	2,675	2,661	190.1	
SIX CAPITALS (a) ..	918	2,644	2,685	2,730	2,686	2,655	2,637	2,670	2,654	190.8	
Lithgow (N.S.W.) (b) ..	948	2,832	2,942	2,930	2,901	2,826	2,808	2,822	2,819	197.7	
Warwick (Q.) (b) ..	851	2,472	2,499	2,519	2,497	2,505	2,498	2,525	2,509	196.7	
Port Augusta (S.A.) (b) ..	994	2,541	2,568	2,567	2,559	2,625	2,638	2,648	2,637	166.4	
Whyalla (S.A.) (b) ..	(c)	2,632	2,684	2,694	2,670	2,735	2,726	2,725	2,729	(c)	
Canberra (A.C.T.) (b) ..	1,046	2,803	2,902	2,899	2,868	2,813	2,809	2,855	2,826	172.9	

(a) Weighted average.

(b) Not included in weighted averages above.

(c) Not available.

THE "C" SERIES RETAIL PRICE INDEX.

Retail Price Index Numbers—Food, Groceries, Housing (4 and 5 Roomed Houses), Clothing and Miscellaneous Household Requirements.

(Base: Weighted Average of Six Capital Cities, 1923-27=1,000.)

State and Town.	1938.	1949.	1950.	1951.	1952.	1953.	1953.		1954.		
							Sept. Qtr.	Dec. Qtr.	Mar. Qtr.	June Qtr.	Sept. Qtr.
NEW SOUTH WALES—											
Sydney ..	913	1,439	1,593	1,933	2,265	2,368	2,388	2,385	2,391	2,373	2,372
Newcastle ..	877	1,402	1,543	1,901	2,209	2,295	2,306	2,323	2,327	2,319	2,311
Broken Hill ..	940	1,528	1,602	1,997	2,344	2,411	2,426	2,434	2,432	2,425	2,410
Goulburn ..	893	1,426	1,578	1,921	2,232	2,302	2,328	2,328	2,318	2,329	2,318
Bathurst ..	860	1,403	1,552	1,882	2,219	2,364	2,382	2,401	2,393	2,383	2,366
FIVE TOWNS (a) ..	911	1,437	1,591	1,931	2,262	2,362	2,382	2,381	2,386	2,369	2,368
VICTORIA—											
Melbourne ..	896	1,415	1,565	1,880	2,170	2,285	2,301	2,310	2,301	2,295	2,278
Ballarat ..	850	1,365	1,509	1,857	2,147	2,265	2,283	2,310	2,288	2,283	2,257
Bendigo ..	854	1,365	1,520	1,826	2,139	2,261	2,276	2,289	2,278	2,271	2,254
Geelong ..	884	1,397	1,549	1,871	2,154	2,263	2,290	2,290	2,278	2,272	2,257
Warrnambool ..	892	1,398	1,558	1,886	2,205	2,323	2,335	2,352	2,356	2,350	2,332
FIVE TOWNS (a) ..	893	1,411	1,561	1,877	2,168	2,283	2,300	2,309	2,299	2,293	2,272
QUEENSLAND—											
Brisbane ..	852	1,348	1,472	1,760	2,063	2,135	2,143	2,176	2,187	2,163	2,150
Toowoomba ..	843	1,380	1,486	1,773	2,083	2,160	2,172	2,193	2,204	2,197	2,173
Rockhampton ..	853	1,357	1,491	1,785	2,091	2,166	2,177	2,202	2,221	2,215	2,191
Townsville ..	902	1,404	1,525	1,818	2,148	2,243	2,251	2,277	2,304	2,288	2,270
Bundaberg ..	831	1,335	1,464	1,754	2,056	2,118	2,121	2,137	2,158	2,163	2,144
FIVE TOWNS (a) ..	854	1,352	1,478	1,767	2,072	2,145	2,154	2,184	2,197	2,177	2,162
SOUTH AUSTRALIA—											
Adelaide ..	888	1,393	1,521	1,833	2,159	2,246	2,264	2,272	2,260	2,265	2,289
Kadina, &c. ..	786	1,295	1,423	1,742	2,077	2,162	2,190	2,196	2,193	2,190	2,208
Port Pirie ..	868	1,369	1,500	1,811	2,135	2,210	2,230	2,238	2,236	2,237	2,263
Mount Gambler ..	849	1,340	1,499	1,863	2,145	2,226	2,250	2,268	2,266	2,269	2,265
Peterborough ..	868	1,368	1,496	1,808	2,129	2,199	2,213	2,231	2,230	2,260	2,254
FIVE TOWNS (a) ..	883	1,388	1,516	1,829	2,155	2,241	2,259	2,268	2,257	2,262	2,285
WESTERN AUSTRALIA—											
Perth, &c. ..	882	1,410	1,538	1,860	2,170	2,295	2,328	2,314	2,348	2,475	2,512
Kalgoorlie, &c. ..	1,048	1,502	1,636	1,940	2,262	2,361	2,369	2,374	2,407	2,418	2,435
Northam ..	900	1,420	1,550	1,870	2,186	2,315	2,336	2,336	2,360	2,395	2,441
Bunbury ..	914	1,424	1,559	1,870	2,195	2,314	2,338	2,344	2,376	2,403	2,498
Geraldton ..	957	1,475	1,611	1,956	2,293	2,421	2,433	2,449	2,473	2,550	2,648
FIVE TOWNS (a) ..	897	1,418	1,547	1,868	2,180	2,303	2,334	2,323	2,356	2,469	2,507
TASMANIA—											
Hobart ..	887	1,419	1,526	1,861	2,180	2,399	2,444	2,485	2,437	2,402	2,394
Launceston ..	872	1,389	1,493	1,857	2,154	2,359	2,409	2,445	2,386	2,359	2,360
Burnie ..	865	1,367	1,484	1,810	2,120	2,309	2,352	2,380	2,349	2,311	2,306
Devonport ..	848	1,351	1,481	1,793	2,093	2,285	2,332	2,372	2,332	2,285	2,286
Queenstown ..	875	1,400	1,494	1,808	2,119	2,308	2,363	2,396	2,343	2,311	2,316
FIVE TOWNS (a) ..	879	1,404	1,511	1,852	2,163	2,375	2,422	2,460	2,409	2,376	2,372
THIRTY TOWNS (a) ..	894	1,413	1,556	1,880	2,193	2,299	2,318	2,325	2,325	2,321	2,317
SIX CAPITALS (a) ..	897	1,415	1,560	1,883	2,196	2,302	2,321	2,327	2,327	2,324	2,321
Warwick (Q.) (b) ..	800	1,349	1,461	1,751	2,063	2,140	2,147	2,168	2,180	2,180	2,168
Port Augusta (S.A.) (b) ..	863	1,373	1,512	1,823	2,141	2,204	2,220	2,232	2,222	2,222	2,248
Whyalla (S.A.) (b) ..	(c)	1,379	1,515	1,848	2,166	2,274	2,316	2,313	2,306	2,298	2,327
Canberra (A.C.T.) (b) ..	966	1,456	1,600	1,931	2,247	2,328	2,345	2,378	2,346	2,344	2,337

(a) Weighted average.

(b) Not included in weighted averages above.

(c) Not available.

THE "C" SERIES RETAIL PRICE INDEX.

The "C" Series Retail Price Index and its Group Index Numbers for the Six Capital Cities combined.

(Base of each Group: Weighted Average of Six Capital Cities, 1923-27 = 1,000.)(a)

Period.	Food and Groceries.	Rent (4 and 5 Roomed Houses). (b)	Clothing.	Miscel- laneous.	Total "C" Series. Index.
Year—					
1914(c)	641	649	754	749	687
1919(c)	1,026	768	1,238	1,036	1,022
1924.	969	988	1,003	1,004	987
1925.	998	1,008	991	992	997
1926.	1,023	1,026	986	998	1,011
1927.	1,000	1,030	975	1,008	1,002
1928.	985	1,066	997	1,010	1,009
1929.	1,044	1,073	996	1,007	1,033
1930.	941	1,047	951	999	975
1931.	826	901	853	973	873
1932.	796	817	804	958	830
1933.	751	804	787	950	804
1934.	783	810	785	944	817
1935.	806	839	783	946	832
1936.	825	879	792	947	850
1937.	851	912	811	960	873
1938.	886	942	829	961	897
1939.	927	965	841	962	920
1940.	939	973	956	998	957
1941.	947	976	1,118	1,060	1,008
1942.	1,031	976	1,308	1,112	1,091
1943.	1,037	975	1,440	1,160	1,131
1944.	1,026	976	1,435	1,165	1,126
1945.	1,034	975	1,425	1,161	1,126
1946.	1,036	976	1,505	1,167	1,145
1947.	1,100	977	1,566	1,199	1,188
1948.	1,256	979	1,744	1,257	1,295
1949.	1,394	982	1,997	1,338	1,415
1950.	1,566	987	2,286	1,435	1,560
1951.	2,041	1,009	2,749	1,679	1,883
1952.	2,526	1,057	3,096	1,958	2,196
1953.	2,641	1,138	3,223	2,053	2,302
Quarter—					
1953—September ..	2,686	1,144	3,228	2,054	2,321
December ..	2,702	1,151	3,217	2,060	2,327
1954—March ..	2,683	1,162	3,228	2,070	2,327
June ..	2,670	1,191	3,212	2,061	2,324
September ..	2,654	1,205	3,210	2,058	2,321

(a) The index numbers given in the separate columns of the table cannot be compared with each other in order to show, for example, the relative cost of housing, and food and groceries, since the cost in each group or combination in 1923-27 is made equal to 1,000.

(b) Rent.—The rent index numbers shown in the table above and elsewhere in this publication measure the proportionate rise and fall in the average weekly rentals paid for houses of four and five rooms taking corresponding houses throughout. They are "price" indexes in the strict sense, i.e., they are designed to measure only the "price" element in rent fluctuations. Rentals of new tenanted houses completed since the end of the war are not taken into account.

(c) November.

**NEW SOUTH WALES—AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES (a) RULING IN EACH OF FIVE PRINCIPAL TOWNS ON THE 15th OF THE MONTHS SPECIFIED
FOR THE YEAR 1954 : QUARTER ENDED 30th SEPTEMBER, 1954.**

Item.	Unit.	SYDNEY.			NEWCASTLE.			BROKEN HILL.			GOULBURN.			BATHURST.		
		July.	Aug.	Sept.	July.	Aug.	Sept.	July.	Aug.	Sept.	July.	Aug.	Sept.	July.	Aug.	Sept.
Groceries, &c.—		<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>
Bread ..	2 lb.	13.30	13.30	13.30	13.50	13.50	13.50	15.50	15.50	15.50	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00
Flour, ordinary ..	"	12.00	12.00	12.00	11.80	11.80	11.80	11.80	11.80	11.80	12.00	12.10	12.10	11.60	11.60	11.80
" self-raising ..	"	19.50	19.50	19.50	19.71	19.71	19.71	18.70	18.90	18.90	21.00	21.00	21.00	20.50	20.50	20.50
Tea ..	lb.	56.00	56.00	68.60	57.00	57.00	70.00	59.00	59.00	72.00	57.50	57.50	70.70	57.00	57.00	70.00
Sugar ..	"	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.75	9.75	9.75	10.50	10.50	10.50	10.00	10.00	10.00	9.75	9.75	9.75
Rice ..	"	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.50	12.50	12.50	13.00	13.00	13.00	13.00	13.00	13.00	12.50	12.50	12.50
Sago ..	"	13.00	12.60	12.60	15.40	15.40	14.80	14.60	14.80	14.80	14.50	14.50	14.50	13.60	13.50	13.50
Jam, plum ..	1½ lb.	29.45	29.45	29.45	29.79	29.79	29.79	29.30	29.20	29.10	30.50	30.70	30.70	30.60	30.60	30.75
Golden syrup ..	2 lb.	18.45	18.45	18.45	20.43	20.43	20.43	22.20	22.20	22.20	21.50	21.50	21.50	20.50	20.50	20.50
Oats, flaked ..	lb.	8.88	8.56	8.56	10.25	9.75	9.75	10.54	10.16	10.16	9.83	9.83	9.83	9.38	9.38	9.31
Raisins, seeded ..	"	32.70	32.70	32.70	30.50	30.50	30.50	31.88	32.17	31.83	33.20	33.90	33.80	32.00	32.00	32.00
Currants ..	"	24.67	24.50	24.67	23.80	23.80	23.80	22.63	22.63	22.63	24.25	24.25	24.25	24.10	24.10	24.10
Apricots, dried ..	"	66.67	64.00	64.17	57.83	57.83	58.13	55.20	57.00	56.50	62.83	63.50	63.25	61.88	61.88	61.88
Peaches, canned ..	30 oz.	38.65	38.65	38.45	39.21	39.21	39.21	38.90	38.90	38.90	39.10	39.50	39.50	39.90	39.90	39.90
Pears, canned ..	"	41.50	41.00	41.15	42.00	41.86	41.86	40.20	40.20	39.90	42.70	42.70	42.90	42.60	42.60	42.60
Potatoes ..	7 lb.	31.83	31.29	27.68	30.75	31.07	29.40	27.70	23.20	22.00	32.70	33.10	26.10	28.00	26.60	25.20
Onions, brown ..	lb.	9.50	8.75	7.30	10.21	9.07	7.17	12.00	11.60	9.90	10.25	9.75	9.67	11.00	11.50	11.50
Soap ..	"	18.33	18.36	18.33	18.23	18.23	18.23	18.60	18.60	18.60	19.67	19.67	19.67	19.40	19.40	19.40
Kerosene ..	quart	8.33	8.33	8.33	8.07	8.07	8.10	9.78	9.78	9.78	9.48	9.48	9.48	9.75	9.75	9.75
Dairy Produce—																
Butter, factory ..	lb.	49.50	49.30	49.30	49.50	49.50	49.50	52.50	52.50	52.50	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00
Cheese, mild ..	"	33.55	33.50	33.56	33.63	33.63	33.63	39.00	36.00	36.00	35.00	35.00	35.00	34.50	34.50	34.50
Eggs, new laid ..	doz.	60.00	60.00	60.00	60.00	60.00	60.00	66.10	59.50	55.50	61.80	61.00	60.60	60.00	60.00	60.00
Bacon, rashers ..	lb.	72.89	69.83	68.44	73.50	66.75	66.75	82.50	73.00	73.00	73.40	69.40	69.00	73.75	67.75	65.67
Milk, condensed ..	tin	23.50	23.50	23.50	23.50	23.50	23.50	25.40	25.40	25.40	24.50	24.50	24.50	24.50	24.50	24.50
" fresh ..	quart	21.00	21.00	21.00	21.00	21.00	21.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	21.50	21.50	21.50	21.50	21.50	21.50
		Sept. Quarter, 1954.			Sept. Quarter, 1954.			Sept. Quarter, 1954.			Sept. Quarter, 1954.			Sept. Quarter, 1954.		
Meat—																
Beef, sirloin ..	lb.		40.99			44.33			44.14			42.27			39.00	
" rib ..	"		25.90			25.42			26.00			27.00			29.16	
" steak, rump ..	"		55.97			55.90			57.00			56.13			54.25	
" chuck ..	"		28.60			27.67			34.18			28.60			30.00	
" sausages ..	"		19.90			21.85			21.86			20.33			22.00	
Beef (corned) silver-side ..	"		33.20			36.29			39.00			33.33			36.00	
" brisket ..	"		24.13			26.29			31.71			24.80			29.50	
Mutton, leg ..	"		21.75			23.10			28.57			24.45			27.33	
" forequarter ..	"		15.35			16.43			18.71			16.33			17.33	
" loin ..	"		24.70			24.76			33.43			26.00			28.75	
" chops, loin ..	"		24.67			25.53			35.86			26.00			29.67	
" leg ..	"		25.37			26.43			34.71			26.00			29.67	
Pork, leg ..	"		52.70			55.86			58.29			52.40			53.67	
" loin ..	"		53.97			54.57			58.29			52.40			54.33	
" chops ..	"		53.40			55.15			59.57			52.40			54.33	

(a) In some cases the averages shown are price relatives.

**VICTORIA—AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES^(a) RULING IN EACH OF FIVE PRINCIPAL TOWNS ON THE 15th OF THE MONTHS SPECIFIED
FOR THE YEAR 1954 : QUARTER ENDED 30th SEPTEMBER, 1954.**

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Prices.

Item.	Unit.	MELBOURNE.			BALLARAT.			BENDIGO.			GEELONG.			WARRNAMBOOL.		
		July.	Aug.	Sept.	July.	Aug.	Sept.	July.	Aug.	Sept.	July.	Aug.	Sept.	July.	Aug.	Sept.
Groceries, &c.—		<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>d.</i>
Bread ..	2 lb.	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.50	14.50	14.50	14.50	14.50	14.50	14.50	14.50	14.50	15.00	15.00	15.00
Flour, ordinary ..	"	11.11	11.15	11.15	11.20	11.20	11.20	11.42	11.42	11.42	11.25	11.25	11.25	11.50	11.25	11.40
" self-raising ..	"	17.50	17.50	17.50	18.50	18.50	18.50	18.75	18.75	18.75	18.00	18.00	18.00	19.40	19.40	19.40
Tea ..	lb.	55.15	55.15	68.35	56.30	56.30	69.20	55.92	55.92	69.58	54.50	55.00	68.50	57.10	57.20	70.40
Sugar ..	"	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.47	9.47	9.47	9.57	9.64	9.64	9.25	9.25	9.25	9.63	9.63	9.63
Rice ..	"	11.95	11.95	11.95	12.50	12.50	12.60	12.67	12.75	12.75	12.00	12.00	12.00	13.50	13.60	13.60
Sago ..	"	16.75	16.75	16.75	14.80	13.70	13.75	15.00	14.63	14.40	13.25	12.50	12.50	15.67	15.33	15.33
Jam, plum ..	1½ lb.	27.30	27.30	27.30	27.20	27.20	27.20	26.17	26.17	26.17	27.38	27.38	27.38	28.60	28.70	28.70
Golden syrup ..	2 lb.	19.10	19.00	19.00	20.20	20.20	19.90	20.50	20.83	20.83	19.13	19.38	19.25	21.60	21.70	21.70
Oats, flaked ..	lb.	9.00	9.20	9.40	9.25	9.50	9.75	9.70	9.70	9.70	9.00	9.00	9.00	10.00	10.00	10.00
Raisins, seeded ..	"	30.22	30.39	30.39	30.80	30.80	30.80	30.13	30.13	30.13	30.38	30.38	30.00	31.10	31.10	31.10
Currants ..	"	22.63	22.63	22.63	22.75	23.13	23.00	22.40	23.00	22.70	23.00	23.00	23.00	23.75	23.75	23.75
Apricots, dried ..	"	60.56	60.56	60.56	56.33	56.33	58.75	59.00	59.00	59.50	61.50	61.50	61.50	58.33	58.25	58.25
Peaches, canned ..	30 oz.	33.65	33.65	33.65	34.00	34.10	34.00	33.75	34.25	34.25	33.00	33.00	33.00	35.90	35.90	36.00
Pears, canned ..	"	35.80	35.80	35.85	35.10	35.20	35.20	36.08	36.75	36.75	34.50	34.50	34.50	37.90	37.90	38.10
Potatoes ..	7 lb.	20.75	20.75	13.33	25.10	22.40	11.60	24.42	23.75	18.72	21.88	21.75	13.75	23.20	19.65	14.00
Onions, brown ..	lb.	5.92	5.92	5.92	6.30	6.30	6.30	6.50	6.50	6.75	6.13	6.38	6.38	5.90	6.20	6.20
Soap ..	"	18.18	18.11	18.11	18.39	18.59	18.45	18.47	18.76	18.75	17.97	17.97	17.97	19.12	19.12	19.12
Kerosene ..	quart	8.18	8.15	8.15	8.98	8.98	8.98	8.98	8.98	8.98	8.57	8.57	8.57	9.50	9.50	9.50
Dairy Produce—																
Butter, factory ..	lb.	49.35	49.35	49.35	49.50	49.50	49.50	48.08	48.08	48.08	49.50	49.50	49.50	49.50	49.50	49.50
Cheese, mild ..	"	33.00	33.00	33.00	33.50	33.50	33.33	33.83	33.83	33.83	33.00	32.88	32.88	34.00	34.00	34.00
Eggs, new laid ..	doz.	61.00	61.00	61.00	61.00	61.00	61.00	61.33	60.33	60.33	61.00	61.00	61.00	61.00	61.00	61.00
Bacon, rashers ..	lb.	79.75	64.00	64.00	77.60	64.40	64.00	76.40	64.00	64.00	75.75	64.00	64.25	80.40	66.00	66.00
Milk, condensed ..	tin	22.05	22.05	22.05	23.10	23.10	23.70	23.08	23.08	23.08	22.25	22.25	22.25	23.80	23.80	23.80
" fresh ..	quart	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	17.00	17.00	17.00	17.20	17.20	17.20	16.80	16.80	16.80
		Sept. Quarter, 1954.			Sept. Quarter, 1954.			Sept. Quarter, 1954.			Sept. Quarter, 1954.			Sept. Quarter, 1954.		
Meat—																
Beef, sirloin ..	lb.		38.90			38.00			37.57			37.13			39.00	
" rib ..	"		33.52			33.17			32.64			31.93			34.20	
" steak, rump ..	"		50.03			48.67			48.57			48.80			49.80	
" chuck ..	"		32.50			34.00			32.71			32.80			33.60	
" sausages ..	"		20.15			20.61			20.57			20.40			21.40	
Beef (corned) silver-side ..	"		37.50			38.03			37.41			37.60			39.00	
" brisket ..	"		27.43			30.33			30.86			29.80			30.00	
Mutton, leg ..	"		24.14			24.33			22.27			26.00			29.00	
" forequarter ..	"		15.14			15.67			14.93			15.33			18.50	
" loin ..	"		22.05			22.17			20.27			24.47			27.75	
" chops, loin ..	"		23.29			24.67			22.07			26.00			30.50	
" " leg ..	"		26.43			25.00			22.07			26.00			30.50	
Pork, leg ..	"		51.93			54.17			51.13			51.13			51.00	
" loin ..	"		52.70			54.17			53.20			51.20			51.00	
" chops ..	"		53.30			54.17			53.40			52.13			51.00	

(a) In some cases the averages shown are price relatives.

**QUEENSLAND—AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES^(a) RULING IN EACH OF FIVE PRINCIPAL TOWNS ON THE 15th OF THE MONTHS SPECIFIED
FOR THE YEAR 1954: QUARTER ENDED 30th SEPTEMBER, 1954.**

Item.	Unit.	BRISBANE.			TOOWOOMBA.			ROCKHAMPTON.			TOWNSVILLE.			BUNDABERG.		
		July.	Aug.	Sept.	July.	Aug.	Sept.	July.	Aug.	Sept.	July.	Aug.	Sept.	July.	Aug.	Sept.
Groceries, &c.—																
Bread	2 lb.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.
Flour, ordinary ..	"	13.00	13.00	13.00	13.50	13.50	13.50	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.50	14.50	14.50	14.00	14.00	14.00
" self-raising ..	"	9.00	8.95	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	11.07	10.79	10.79	10.70	10.90	10.90	10.10	10.10	10.10
Tea	lb.	17.20	17.20	17.20	18.75	18.58	18.75	20.57	20.57	20.57	20.20	20.20	20.40	19.70	19.70	19.70
Sugar	"	55.35	55.35	66.50	55.43	55.43	67.71	56.00	55.93	68.50	57.20	57.20	69.80	56.40	56.40	68.80
Rice	"	8.98	8.98	8.98	9.42	9.42	9.42	9.36	9.36	9.36	10.50	10.50	10.50	8.95	8.95	8.95
Sago	"	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.70	12.58	12.64	13.20	13.17	13.21	13.20	13.20	13.30	13.20	13.20	13.20
Jam, plum	1½ lb.	14.78	14.89	14.88	13.83	14.00	13.80	14.75	14.33	14.33	16.63	16.88	16.88	16.38	15.63	15.30
Golden syrup ..	2 lb.	27.60	27.70	27.85	28.14	28.43	28.43	30.93	29.79	29.93	29.50	29.50	30.80	28.80	28.80	29.20
Oats, flaked ..	lb.	17.35	17.40	17.40	18.93	18.93	18.93	20.50	20.50	20.50	22.10	22.10	22.10	18.00	18.00	18.00
Raisins, seeded ..	"	10.13	9.92	9.92	11.25	11.00	11.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	10.25	10.25	10.25	10.75	10.50	10.75
Currants	"	26.90	26.95	26.70	28.42	28.50	28.50	29.92	29.10	28.75	29.50	29.50	29.50	29.90	29.70	29.70
Apricots, dried ..	"	22.00	21.75	22.00	21.80	21.90	21.90	23.50	23.50	23.75	23.50	23.50	23.50	22.88	22.88	22.88
Peaches, canned ..	30 oz.	55.00	54.38	54.20	53.10	51.30	52.25	54.50	54.50	54.42	55.60	55.60	55.60	56.13	55.38	55.10
Pears, canned ..	"	36.35	36.25	36.35	36.86	36.86	36.86	37.79	37.29	37.50	38.40	38.40	38.40	37.80	37.80	37.80
Potatoes	7 lb.	37.90	38.10	38.75	39.21	39.21	39.21	38.58	38.00	38.64	39.00	39.00	39.00	40.00	40.00	39.80
Onions, brown ..	lb.	33.40	31.80	31.10	28.14	27.43	28.43	40.17	34.57	32.71	37.10	34.40	31.70	34.90	32.40	31.60
Soap	"	9.33	7.10	4.75	9.14	7.29	5.25	9.67	8.64	6.64	9.30	9.40	7.63	11.00	9.00	7.20
Kerosene	quart	17.37	18.13	18.13	17.95	18.19	18.19	17.07	18.14	18.14	17.86	18.06	18.20	17.40	18.06	18.06
		8.34	8.36	8.33	9.19	9.19	9.19	10.91	10.84	10.84	10.24	10.24	10.24	10.40	10.40	10.40
Dairy Produce—																
Butter, factory ..	lb.	49.10	49.10	49.10	48.07	48.07	48.07	48.86	48.43	48.64	51.40	51.40	51.40	48.70	48.70	48.70
Cheese, mild ..	"	32.00	32.00	32.00	32.14	32.14	32.14	35.00	35.64	35.50	36.30	36.00	36.00	33.80	33.60	33.60
Eggs, new laid ..	doz.	51.50	51.60	51.60	50.67	42.83	34.00	68.83	53.14	47.43	75.00	69.00	64.50	55.50	50.60	42.60
Bacon, rashers ..	lb.	63.90	64.15	64.15	60.64	60.50	60.07	62.50	62.29	62.43	65.17	65.17	65.17	61.90	61.70	61.50
Milk, condensed ..	tin	23.35	23.35	23.30	23.79	23.79	23.79	23.83	24.00	24.00	24.30	24.30	24.30	24.00	24.00	24.00
" fresh	quart	16.10	16.10	16.10	16.57	16.57	16.57	16.00	16.00	16.00	17.60	17.60	17.60	16.00	16.00	16.00
Meat—																
		Sept. Quarter, 1954.			Sept. Quarter, 1954.			Sept. Quarter, 1954.			Sept. Quarter, 1954.			Sept. Quarter, 1954.		
Beef, sirloin ..	lb.		31.35			33.00			32.00			32.00			33.00	
" rib	"		22.35			24.00			22.91			24.00			24.00	
" steak, rump ..	"		37.01			37.00			35.38			36.00			37.00	
" " chuck ..	"		21.01			23.00			22.29			22.40			23.00	
" sausages ..	"		17.10			17.00			17.00			17.20			17.00	
Beef (corned) silver-side ..	"		27.35			28.00			29.00			27.00			28.00	
" brisket ..	"		23.01			26.00			26.29			25.00			26.00	
Mutton, leg	"		20.36			22.00			21.00			22.40			22.60	
" forequarter ..	"		15.11			18.29			17.30			19.00			19.00	
" loin	"		18.56			21.43			20.43			22.00			21.60	
" chops, loin ..	"		21.18			23.00			22.00			23.30			23.07	
" " leg	"		20.29			22.14			21.29			22.20			22.40	
Pork, leg	"		48.33			44.00			43.38			50.13			40.80	
" loin	"		46.97			43.57			43.38			48.42			40.80	
" chops	"		46.97			43.57			43.81			47.33			40.80	

(a) In some cases the averages shown are price relatives.

**SOUTH AUSTRALIA—AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES^(a) RULING IN EACH OF FIVE PRINCIPAL TOWNS ON THE 15th OF THE MONTHS
SPECIFIED FOR THE YEAR 1954 : QUARTER ENDED 30th SEPTEMBER, 1954.**

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Item.	Unit.	ADELAIDE.			KADINA.			PORT PIRIE.			MOUNT GAMBIER.			PETERBOROUGH.		
		July.	Aug.	Sept.	July.	Aug.	Sept.	July.	Aug.	Sept.	July.	Aug.	Sept.	July.	Aug.	Sept.
Groceries, &c.—																
Bread ..	2 lb.	d. 13.00	d. 13.00	d. 13.00	d. 15.00	d. 15.00	d. 15.00	d. 14.50	d. 14.50	d. 14.50	d. 14.50	d. 14.50	d. 14.50	d. 14.50	d. 14.50	d. 14.50
Flour, ordinary ..	"	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.14	10.14	10.14	10.64	10.64	10.64	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.75	10.75	10.75
" self-raising ..	"	16.45	16.45	16.45	18.07	18.14	18.14	18.36	18.36	18.36	17.10	17.10	17.10	18.75	18.75	18.75
Tea ..	1 lb.	56.00	56.00	69.00	56.57	56.57	69.57	56.79	56.79	69.93	57.50	57.50	70.50	57.00	57.00	70.00
Sugar ..	"	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.43	9.43	9.43	9.50	9.50	9.50	10.00	10.00	10.00	9.50	9.50	9.50
Rice ..	"	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.71	12.71	12.71	12.93	12.93	12.93	13.40	13.40	13.40	13.00	13.00	13.00
Sago ..	"	13.80	13.45	13.10	14.93	14.79	14.21	16.00	15.93	15.57	17.00	17.00	16.20	15.13	15.13	15.00
Jam, plum ..	1½ lb.	27.15	27.15	27.20	28.07	28.07	28.07	28.50	28.50	28.57	29.10	29.10	29.20	28.63	28.50	28.50
Golden syrup ..	2 lb.	18.50	18.50	18.50	19.86	19.86	19.86	19.86	19.86	19.86	20.60	20.60	20.60	20.50	20.50	20.50
Oats, flaked ..	1 lb.	9.25	9.25	9.25	9.68	9.68	9.68	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.10	10.10	10.10	10.57	10.57	10.57
Raisins, seeded ..	"	29.28	28.67	28.50	30.43	30.00	30.00	32.21	30.71	29.93	33.30	33.30	31.80	29.75	29.75	29.75
Currants ..	"	22.95	23.00	23.00	23.57	23.57	23.57	23.67	23.67	23.67	24.50	24.50	24.10	24.13	24.13	24.13
Apricots, dried ..	"	58.15	58.15	58.30	58.79	58.79	59.00	58.40	58.40	58.40	59.30	59.38	59.38	58.50	57.50	57.50
Peaches, canned ..	30 oz.	36.10	36.10	36.35	37.57	37.86	38.14	37.71	37.71	37.71	37.90	37.90	37.90	38.88	38.88	38.88
Pears, canned ..	"	37.35	37.35	37.35	38.79	38.86	38.86	38.43	38.43	38.43	38.50	38.50	38.50	39.00	39.00	39.00
Potatoes ..	7 lb.	21.00	20.40	20.40	26.67	23.67	23.67	26.57	23.29	22.57	21.00	21.00	21.00	25.88	24.13	23.25
Onions, brown ..	1 lb.	12.70	11.50	8.50	11.50	10.00	9.00	11.40	13.43	11.21	6.00	7.00	8.33	11.17	10.83	8.67
Soap ..	"	18.33	18.33	18.33	19.09	19.09	19.09	18.57	18.57	18.57	18.87	18.87	18.87	19.25	19.25	19.25
Kerosene ..	quart	7.74	7.74	7.74	8.38	8.38	8.38	8.91	8.89	8.89	8.79	8.79	8.79	8.75	8.78	8.78
Dairy Produce—																
Butter, factory ..	lb.	49.50	49.50	49.50	50.21	50.21	50.29	50.50	50.50	50.50	49.50	49.00	49.10	49.50	49.50	49.50
Cheese, mild ..	"	32.50	32.50	32.50	33.57	33.57	33.57	33.50	33.50	33.50	32.25	32.25	32.25	33.63	33.63	33.63
Eggs, new laid ..	doz.	61.65	55.55	50.75	51.00	45.25	40.00	53.50	45.33	40.33	58.00	44.50	39.50	52.67	44.00	40.00
Bacon, rashers ..	lb.	73.10	67.45	67.45	74.79	69.00	69.00	74.67	70.00	69.17	74.20	71.00	70.60	74.75	69.25	69.25
Milk, condensed ..	tin	23.25	23.25	23.25	24.14	24.14	24.14	24.00	24.00	24.00	24.20	24.20	24.20	24.38	24.38	24.38
" fresh ..	quart	15.50	15.50	15.50	17.00	17.00	17.00	16.50	16.50	16.50	15.00	15.00	15.00	16.50	16.50	16.50
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PRICES.

**WESTERN AUSTRALIA—AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES^(a) RULING IN EACH OF FIVE PRINCIPAL TOWNS ON THE 15th OF THE MONTHS
SPECIFIED FOR THE YEAR 1954 : QUARTER ENDED 30th SEPTEMBER, 1954.**

Item.	Unit.	PERTH.			KALGOORLIE.			NORTHAM.			BUNBURY.			GERALDTON.		
		July.	Aug.	Sept.	July.	Aug.	Sept.	July.	Aug.	Sept.	July.	Aug.	Sept.	July.	Aug.	Sept.
Groceries, &c.—		d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.
Bread ..	2 lb.	13.50	13.50	13.50	14.50	14.50	14.50	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00
Flour, ordinary ..	"	11.90	11.90	11.90	14.00	14.00	14.00	12.25	12.25	12.25	12.50	12.50	12.50	12.00	12.00	12.00
" self-raising ..	"	19.20	19.20	19.20	22.00	22.00	22.00	21.00	21.00	21.00	20.38	20.38	20.38	22.00	22.00	22.00
Tea ..	lb.	55.90	55.90	68.60	57.92	57.92	72.33	56.63	56.63	71.13	57.00	57.00	71.25	57.60	57.60	72.00
Sugar ..	"	9.00	9.00	9.00	10.08	10.08	10.08	9.56	9.56	9.56	9.79	9.79	9.77	9.95	9.95	9.95
Rice ..	"	11.94	11.95	11.90	13.92	13.83	13.92	13.00	13.00	12.75	12.67	12.83	12.83	13.40	13.40	13.40
Sago ..	"	21.60	18.00	16.67	22.92	19.83	17.67	24.25	20.50	16.25	25.63	19.00	18.00	22.88	18.38	18.25
Jam, plum ..	1½ lb.	31.85	31.85	31.80	34.83	34.83	34.83	33.38	33.38	33.38	33.88	33.88	33.88	34.80	34.80	34.90
Golden syrup ..	2 lb.	19.90	19.95	19.85	23.33	23.42	23.42	21.38	21.63	21.63	21.75	21.75	21.75	22.90	22.90	22.90
Oats, flaked ..	lb.	9.25	9.25	9.25	12.00	13.00	13.00	10.75	10.75	10.75	11.50	11.50	11.50	13.00	13.00	13.00
Raisins, seeded ..	"	30.17	30.17	30.10	34.50	34.50	34.50	33.00	32.88	32.88	34.50	34.50	34.50	33.50	33.20	33.20
Currants ..	"	24.15	23.90	24.00	26.42	26.42	26.42	24.75	24.75	24.88	25.13	25.13	25.13	26.60	26.60	26.60
Apricots, dried ..	"	61.33	62.43	62.43	58.00	62.67	62.67	63.50	63.50	63.50	60.00	60.00	60.50	64.83	68.00	68.00
Peaches, canned ..	30 oz.	38.85	39.45	39.45	45.33	45.33	45.83	43.13	43.13	43.25	43.17	43.17	43.17	45.30	45.50	45.50
Pears, canned ..	"	40.25	40.65	40.70	47.42	47.42	47.58	43.75	43.75	43.75	45.17	45.17	45.17	47.50	47.30	47.30
Potatoes ..	7 lb.	32.00	32.00	32.00	34.17	34.17	34.17	35.25	35.25	35.25	33.50	33.50	33.50	34.00	34.00	34.00
Onions, brown ..	lb.	18.29	11.88	9.88	11.60	11.33	11.20	18.67	14.00	12.75	19.00	13.67	11.33	19.00	14.75	12.60
Soap ..	"	19.30	19.30	19.30	20.95	20.95	20.95	19.83	20.33	20.33	19.83	19.83	19.83	20.33	20.27	20.07
Kerosene ..	quart	13.05	13.05	13.05	16.38	16.38	16.38	15.02	15.02	15.02	14.66	14.66	14.66	16.04	16.04	16.04
Dairy Produce—																
Butter, factory ..	lb.	50.00	50.00	50.00	52.00	52.00	52.00	51.00	51.00	51.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	52.00	52.00	52.00
Cheese, mild ..	"	37.00	37.00	37.00	39.50	39.50	39.50	38.50	38.50	38.50	39.00	39.00	39.00	38.50	38.50	38.50
Eggs, new laid ..	doz.	64.00	54.00	53.70	70.83	58.67	56.17	64.00	55.00	55.00	64.25	54.50	54.50	64.00	54.40	54.40
Bacon, rashers ..	lb.	71.67	68.67	68.67	73.67	71.00	71.00	73.00	70.75	68.50	72.25	70.25	70.25	73.20	71.00	71.10
Milk, condensed ..	tin	23.35	23.35	23.35	25.50	25.50	25.50	24.50	24.50	24.13	24.50	24.50	24.50	25.40	25.40	25.50
" fresh ..	quart	17.00	17.00	17.00	22.25	22.25	22.25	18.00	18.00	18.00	16.00	16.00	16.00	20.00	20.00	20.00
Sept. Quarter, 1954.																
Meat—																
Beef, sirloin ..	lb.		38.82			35.81			39.00			38.40			37.22	
" rib ..	"		33.58			28.19			27.50			28.67			33.00	
" steak, rump ..	"		53.90			50.00			54.00			51.20			48.00	
" chuck ..	"		36.77			33.29			36.00			36.00			35.00	
" sausages ..	"		22.33			24.43			23.78			24.25			23.00	
Beef (corned) silver-side ..	"		37.67			36.29			38.67			37.60			38.00	
" brisket ..	"		30.63			30.00			32.00			31.60			33.00	
Mutton, leg ..	"		30.27			29.28			30.11			32.00			29.00	
" forequarter ..	"		19.51			18.90			19.45			21.20			20.00	
" loin ..	"		30.06			26.43			26.33			28.20			25.67	
" chops, loin ..	"		30.23			26.72			26.66			30.00			26.00	
" leg ..	"		30.23			28.33			27.66			29.40			28.00	
Pork, leg ..	"		57.23			52.57			46.00			57.00			54.00	
" loin ..	"		57.37			52.57			45.00			57.00			54.00	
" chops ..	"		57.37			52.00			45.00			58.75			54.00	

^(a) In some cases the averages shown are price relatives.

PRICES.

**TASMANIA—AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES^(a) RULING IN EACH OF FIVE PRINCIPAL TOWNS ON THE 15th OF THE MONTHS SPECIFIED
FOR THE YEAR 1954: QUARTER ENDED 30th SEPTEMBER, 1954.**

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Item.	Unit.	HOBART.			LAUNCESTON.			BURNIE.			DEVONPORT.			QUEENSTOWN.		
		July.	Aug.	Sept.	July.	Aug.	Sept.	July.	Aug.	Sept.	July.	Aug.	Sept.	July.	Aug.	Sept.
Groceries, &c.—																
Bread	2 lb.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.
Flour, ordinary ..	"	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.00	14.50	14.50	14.50	14.50	14.50	14.50	14.50	14.50	14.50
" self-raising ..	"	10.70	10.65	10.65	10.42	10.42	10.42	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.33	11.33	11.33
Tea	lb.	19.10	19.10	19.10	19.08	19.08	19.08	19.50	19.50	19.80	19.40	19.40	19.40	20.50	20.67	20.67
Sugar	"	56.00	56.00	69.30	56.00	56.00	69.50	56.00	56.00	69.50	56.10	56.10	69.40	56.50	56.50	69.67
Rice	"	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.05	9.05	9.05	9.25	9.25	9.25
Sago	"	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	11.83	11.83	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.17	12.17	12.17
Jam, plum ..	1½ lb.	16.94	16.94	17.31	16.63	16.75	16.10	17.60	17.60	17.30	18.00	17.70	16.80	18.00	18.00	18.00
Golden syrup ..	2 lb.	28.45	28.55	28.55	27.17	27.67	28.33	28.80	28.80	28.70	28.80	29.00	29.00	30.33	30.33	30.33
Oats, flaked ..	lb.	20.20	20.20	20.25	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.20	20.20	20.20	21.17	21.17	21.33
Raisins, seeded ..	"	10.10	10.10	10.10	9.50	9.50	9.50	10.25	10.25	10.25	9.67	10.00	10.00	10.41	10.41	10.41
Currants ..	"	32.00	32.50	32.50	32.00	32.00	32.00	32.50	32.25	32.63	33.17	33.17	33.17	33.50	33.50	33.50
Apricots, dried ..	"	25.50	25.60	25.60	24.30	24.30	24.50	25.00	25.00	25.00	25.75	25.75	25.75	25.50	25.50	25.50
Peaches, canned ..	30 oz.	61.20	61.20	60.80	60.50	60.50	60.50	58.25	58.25	57.00	59.50	59.50	59.50	57.00	57.00	59.00
Pears, canned ..	"	39.20	38.85	38.85	38.75	38.58	38.58	38.75	38.75	38.75	38.80	38.70	38.70	40.50	40.33	40.33
Potatoes ..	7 lb.	41.70	41.90	41.90	39.92	39.92	40.42	42.38	42.38	42.38	43.13	42.50	42.50	47.67	47.67	47.67
Onions, brown ..	lb.	23.52	21.14	21.00	20.50	19.30	16.55	19.20	18.16	16.66	21.00	19.56	16.76	22.33	21.17	19.00
Soap	"	11.00	11.25	10.50	8.00	10.25	10.25	8.63	9.38	9.38	9.00	9.67	9.75	9.00	9.00	9.00
Kerosene ..	quart	18.33	18.33	18.33	18.33	18.33	18.33	18.33	18.33	18.33	18.40	18.40	18.40	18.67	18.67	18.67
Dairy Produce—		12.61	12.61	12.63	11.39	11.39	11.39	14.07	14.07	14.07	13.88	13.88	13.89	12.07	12.07	12.07
Butter, factory ..	lb.	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00
Cheese, mild ..	"	32.91	32.91	32.91	35.83	35.83	35.83	33.69	34.09	33.50	34.40	34.40	34.40	33.94	33.94	33.94
Eggs, new laid ..	doz.	66.44	60.39	60.39	66.08	60.08	60.08	66.50	60.50	60.50	66.38	60.38	60.38	68.00	62.00	62.00
Bacon, rashers ..	lb.	71.33	67.20	67.20	71.50	68.50	68.50	70.80	68.40	68.40	71.25	69.75	69.00	72.00	69.25	69.25
Milk, condensed ..	tin	23.50	23.50	23.50	23.50	23.50	23.50	23.50	23.50	23.50	23.60	23.60	23.60	24.00	24.00	24.00
" fresh ..	quart	19.00	19.00	19.00	19.00	19.00	19.00	18.50	18.50	18.50	18.50	18.50	18.50	24.00	24.00	24.00
Meat—																
		Sept. Quarter, 1954.			Sept. Quarter, 1954.			Sept. Quarter, 1954.			Sept. Quarter, 1954.			Sept. Quarter, 1954.		
Beef, sirloin ..	lb.		41.87			40.76			41.00			39.40		41.33		
" rib ..	"		34.34			34.12			34.00			32.64		33.94		
" steak, rump ..	"		56.00			54.76			55.00			52.40		57.00		
" chuck ..	"		36.80			36.00			35.25			34.60		38.00		
" sausages ..	"															
Beef (corned) silver-side ..	"		23.53			22.00			22.00			22.07		23.00		
" brisket ..	"		41.00			40.00			40.00			39.00		42.00		
Mutton, leg ..	"		33.00			30.86			32.00			31.60		33.67		
" forequarter ..	"		28.00			27.71			27.44			27.44		29.66		
" loin ..	"		14.89			14.81			14.67			14.11		18.11		
" chops, loin ..	"		21.74			21.50			22.44			20.78		25.66		
" chops, leg ..	"		21.81			21.71			22.44			24.33		25.66		
Pork, leg ..	"		23.41			23.52			22.44			26.44		25.66		
" loin ..	"		55.70			51.19			50.00			46.80		54.33		
" chops ..	"		55.27			51.24			50.00			47.00		53.67		
" chops ..	"		55.90			52.24			50.50			47.20		53.67		

(a) In some cases the averages shown are price relatives.

PRICES.

WHOLESALE PRICE (BASIC MATERIALS AND FOODSTUFFS) INDEX.

Commodities in this index are priced in their primary or basic form wherever possible. The prices used in this index have in the main been obtained directly from manufacturers and merchants and, with a few important exceptions, from Melbourne sources. Apart from locally produced building materials and one or two minor commodities however, the price movements may be taken as representative of variations in wholesale prices of basic materials in most Australian markets. The weighting system adopted is based on estimates of the average annual consumption of the commodities in Australia during the years 1928-29 to 1934-35 inclusive.

(Base of each Group : Average 3 years ended June, 1939 = 100.)

Period.	Basic Materials.							Food-stuffs and Tobacco.	Basic Materials and Foodstuffs.		
	Metals and Coal.	Oils, Fats and Waxes.	Textiles.	Chemicals.	Rubber and Hides.	Building Materials.	Total.		Goods principally Imported. (a)	Goods principally Home Produced.	Total All Groups.
1936-37 ..	96	99	118	99	111	99	99	97	99	98	98
1937-38 ..	101	101	100	100	97	104	102	100	102	100	101
1938-39 ..	103	100	82	101	92	97	99	103	99	102	101
1939-40 ..	105	115	104	107	116	108	109	101	111	103	105
1940-41 ..	107	137	111	124	126	128	122	107	133	106	114
1941-42 ..	117	151	118	137	135	135	133	117	153	112	124
1942-43 ..	129	167	147	142	138	163	149	128	176	121	137
1943-44 ..	131	170	150	143	140	174	153	129	182	122	140
1944-45 ..	131	168	152	143	140	175	152	131	182	123	141
1945-46 ..	130	156	152	142	140	177	149	135	178	126	141
1946-47 ..	132	145	191	140	131	180	149	138	177	129	143
1947-48 ..	146	161	283	148	126	190	166	153	192	145	159
1948-49 ..	185	173	342	159	130	198	188	175	201	173	181
1949-50 ..	214	184	434	187	143	225	214	198	223	198	205
1950-51 ..	256	196	641	242	202	268	264	232	256	242	246
1951-52 ..	343	220	577	314	208	370	321	281	288	305	300
1952-53 ..	392	234	607	350	224	404	350	294	292	331	320
1953-54 ..	388	222	566	323	191	363	332	313	271	343	321
1951-52— April ..	370	223	517	327	262	395	332	295	297	318	312
May ..	379	230	559	327	278	433	347	294	302	325	318
June ..	379	230	570	331	296	433	349	298	302	330	321
1952-53— July ..	392	230	570	349	279	435	355	304	302	338	327
August ..	394	230	577	350	241	418	351	303	295	338	325
September ..	399	230	566	349	237	418	352	295	294	333	321
October ..	390	235	589	349	233	418	352	283	295	322	314
November ..	390	237	589	349	223	420	352	280	296	321	313
December ..	390	237	609	349	227	420	353	292	297	329	320
January ..	389	236	608	350	223	420	353	290	297	328	318
February ..	391	235	611	355	212	391	348	290	289	328	316
March ..	393	235	640	355	212	391	350	289	290	328	317
April ..	392	235	643	348	203	391	349	299	288	336	322
May ..	391	233	661	349	203	364	344	301	279	338	321
June ..	392	233	621	348	199	364	342	305	283	338	322
1953-54— July ..	391	225	583	329	198	365	336	315	275	346	325
August ..	389	226	581	329	198	365	335	336	275	360	335
September ..	389	226	576	329	199	364	335	331	276	357	333
October ..	389	226	576	327	198	364	334	325	273	353	329
November ..	388	223	574	327	197	365	333	311	270	342	321
December ..	388	223	561	327	192	365	332	304	269	337	317
January ..	384	223	564	327	190	365	331	305	271	336	317
February ..	384	221	546	317	187	365	328	306	269	336	316
March ..	389	222	545	317	183	365	330	304	269	335	316
April ..	390	217	553	316	186	359	328	306	266	337	316
May ..	390	217	563	316	184	359	329	306	266	338	316
June ..	384	218	569	316	182	358	327	308	267	337	316
1954-55— July ..	384	217	569	313	183	358	327	308	266	337	316
August ..	384	216	529	313	205	358	325	308	267	336	316
September ..	385	216	527	313	232	365	327	308	271	336	317

(a) Represents only such imported commodities as are included in the Wholesale Price Index. This index does not measure changes in price of imports generally.

FARM PRODUCTION PRICE INDEXES.

The annual indexes shown in the following table relate to average "prices" of farm products realized in the principal markets of Australia. The "price" data used are average unit values for the total quantities of the relevant commodities produced or marketed in each year and the indexes therefore measure both the effects of changes in prices (as such) and of variations in the quality, type, usage, &c., of products marketed. The indexes for any year relate to the average values of farm products produced or marketed in that year, irrespective of the periods in which payment is received by producers.

The indexes shown below are the Revised Series (December, 1952) in which average quantities of each product marketed in the period 1946-47 to 1950-51 have been used as fixed weights.

The preliminary indexes for 1953-54 are based mainly on the recorded or estimated movement in average values for the major farm products. They will be reviewed from time to time as further "price" data becomes available.

(Base : Average 3 years ended June, 1939 = 100.)

Year.	Agri- culture.	Pastoral.	Farmyard and Dairying.	All Farming.	Wool (Shorn and Dead).	Products other than Wool.
1936-37	114	115	93	109	126	104
1937-38	98	98	102	99	95	100
1938-39	88	87	105	92	79	96
1945-46	174	133	159	157	118	169
1946-47	194	182	157	185	187	185
1947-48	267	263	183	247	301	230
1948-49	234	313	197	260	366	225
1949-50	272	396	223	316	483	261
1950-51	291	818	258	505	1,098	308
1951-52	355	501	332	410	552	363
1952-53	364	531	387	440	623	379
1953-54(a)	324	536	393	429	621	365

(a) Preliminary estimate.

EXPORT PRICE INDEX NUMBERS.

These index numbers are compiled from the prices of 20 commodities which normally constitute about 80 per cent. of all exports. For some metals and for wheat (from July, 1945 to September, 1951), the index of prices is deducted from average value of current sales or shipments and hence shows some irregularity. From October, 1951, to July, 1953, the prices used for wheat are the estimated average realizations after weighting prices of quota and non-quota wheat. Prices adopted for months since August, 1953, are derived from available information of current sales.

RECENT TRENDS.

Reference to the group indexes shows the great fluctuations and the wide dispersion of prices of export commodities in recent years. Since wool is a predominant export (and comprises 45.63 per cent. of the Base Aggregate of the index) fluctuations in wool prices obscure the movements affecting the other components in the All Groups Index. For purposes of comparison another column (All Groups excluding Wool) has been added to the table to show this movement separately.

SIMPLE AGGREGATIVE INDEX: FIXED WEIGHTS.

In this index the prices of the commodities are multiplied by the average annual exports (production in the case of gold) during the three years 1933-34 to 1935-36.

(Base of each Section: Average 3 years ended June, 1939 = 100.)

Period.	Wool.	Wheat.	Butter	Metals. (a)	Meats. (b)	Sugar.	Dried Fruits. (c)	Tall- ow.	Hides. (d)	Gold. (e)	All Groups.		
											Ex- clud- ing Gold.	Ex- clud- ing Wool.	Total All Groups.
Percentage Distribution of Base Aggregate $\left\{ \begin{matrix} f \\ g \\ h \end{matrix} \right.$	45.63 49.05 ..	17.06 18.34 31.38	11.36 12.21 20.89	6.83 7.34 12.55	6.63 7.13 12.20	2.40 2.58 4.42	1.81 1.94 3.32	0.64 0.69 1.18	0.66 0.72 1.22	6.98 .. 12.84	.. 100.00 ..	.. .. 100.00	100.00
1936-37 ..	122	123	92	120	98	104	103	122	113	99	116	108	115
1937-38 ..	99	111	107	96	106	92	103	100	100	98	102	105	102
1938-39 ..	79	66	101	84	96	104	94	78	87	103	82	87	83
1946-47 ..	173	305	173	308	139	264	152	361	334	122	209	223	203
1947-48 ..	287	420	193	372	146	320	157	436	364	122	296	280	238
1948-49 ..	365	413	233	478	171	343	162	499	421	122	348	305	332
1949-50 ..	473	400	250	421	196	369	176	400	479	164	399	308	383
1950-51 ..	999	432	271	689	209	410	226	356	752	176	690	365	654
1951-52 ..	964	436	291	811	263	464	302	451	486	184	495	397	473
1952-53 ..	616	445	313	504	314	501	297	358	369	186	505	371	483
1953-54 ..	615	(j) 411	325	450	338	479	(j) 287	321	336	179	(j) 496	(j) 356	(j) 474
1952-53—													
October ..	588	432	313	501	321	501	300	(i) 483	383	188	490	370	469
November ..	588	432	313	501	321	501	300	360	404	187	490	368	469
December ..	618	454	313	510	321	501	300	322	395	184	509	376	486
January ..	618	454	313	509	321	501	300	298	391	189	509	376	486
February ..	626	454	313	475	321	501	300	295	375	186	510	371	487
March ..	656	454	313	463	321	501	290	298	364	185	523	369	500
April ..	671	454	313	418	321	501	290	284	344	185	527	363	503
May ..	701	454	313	407	321	501	290	252	352	184	541	361	516
June ..	641	454	313	429	321	500	290	249	326	181	513	363	490
1953-54—													
July ..	(i) 641	454	325	446	331	500	290	244	319	183	516	369	493
August ..	(i) 634	446	325	450	331	500	290	251	321	182	511	367	488
September ..	626	443	325	438	331	500	290	260	336	182	506	365	484
October ..	634	428	325	450	340	500	290	269	374	181	509	363	486
November ..	634	414	325	458	340	500	290	301	383	176	508	360	485
December ..	611	413	325	442	340	500	290	341	377	177	495	358	473
January ..	603	411	325	427	340	461	290	369	377	176	489	354	468
February ..	581	402	325	423	340	461	290	368	353	177	476	350	455
March ..	581	399	325	440	340	461	(j) 281	355	327	176	(j) 476	(j) 351	(j) 456
April ..	(i) 596	381	325	467	340	461	(j) 281	364	300	176	(j) 482	(j) 348	(j) 461
May ..	618	372	325	474	340	461	(j) 281	369	281	178	(j) 492	(j) 346	(j) 470
June ..	622	(j) 369	325	484	340	448	(j) 281	359	278	178	(j) 494	(j) 346	(j) 472
1954-55—													
July ..	(i) 622	(j) 359	313	475	340	448	(j) 278	354	264	178	(j) 490	(j) 338	(j) 468
August ..	566	(j) 358	313	475	340	448	(j) 262	350	254	178	(j) 461	(j) 338	(j) 442
September ..	566	(j) 355	313	498	340	448	(j) 261	350	224	178	(j) 462	(j) 339	(j) 442

(a) Silver, copper, tin, zinc, lead.

(b) Beef, lamb, mutton, pork.

(c) Sultanas, lexias, currants.

(d) Cattle hides, calf skins.

(e) Where Australian gold has been sold on the overseas premium markets such price has been used in the index.

(f) For All Groups (Total)—applicable from 1936-37.

(g) For All Groups (excluding Gold)—applicable from 1936-37.

(h) For All Groups (excluding Wool)—applicable from 1936-37.

(i) Nominal.

(j) Preliminary.

NOTE.—The index numbers above indicate satisfactorily the trends of export prices, but take no account of the relative quantities actually sold at the different prices ruling during each month. The impact of the price movements on current sales is indicated more directly by the Export Price Index (Changing Weights), published in the *Monthly Review of Business Statistics* and in the computation of which the "quantity-multipliers" are the quantities actually exported in the months (or periods) to which the index numbers relate.

Section XII.—Miscellaneous.

COMPARATIVE INDEX NUMBERS FOR THE SIX CAPITAL CITIES COMBINED.

(Base of each Section : Weighted Average of Six Capitals, 1911 = 1,000.)(a)

Period.					Retail Price Index Numbers.					Nominal Wages, Adult Males.	Real Wages. (e)
					Food and Groceries.	Rent (4 and 5 Roomed Houses). (b)	Clothing.	Miscellaneous.	Total "C" Series Retail Price Index.		
Year—											
1911	..	..	..	..	1,000	1,000	(d)1,000	(d)1,000	(d)1,000	1,000	1,000
1914	..	..	..	..	1,144	1,082	1,140	1,140	1,140	1,081	948
1921	..	..	..	..	1,902	1,410	1,883	1,537	1,680	1,826	1,087
1928	..	..	..	..	1,761	1,743	1,507	1,537	1,675	1,963	1,172
1932	..	..	..	..	1,425	1,336	1,215	1,458	1,377	1,639	1,190
1938	..	..	..	..	1,584	1,540	1,253	1,463	1,488	1,799	1,209
1939	..	..	..	..	1,657	1,577	1,271	1,465	1,526	1,846	1,210
1944	..	..	..	..	1,834	1,595	2,168	1,773	1,867	2,326	1,246
1945	..	..	..	..	1,849	1,595	2,155	1,767	1,868	2,339	1,252
1946	..	..	..	..	1,852	1,596	2,276	1,776	1,900	2,400	1,263
1947	..	..	..	..	1,967	1,597	2,367	1,825	1,971	2,598	1,318
1948	..	..	..	..	2,245	1,601	2,637	1,913	2,148	2,914	1,357
1949	..	..	..	..	2,492	1,605	3,019	2,037	2,349	3,210	1,367
1950	..	..	..	..	2,800	1,613	3,455	2,184	2,589	3,596	1,389
1951	..	..	..	..	3,649	1,649	4,156	2,555	3,124	4,495	1,439
1952	..	..	..	..	4,516	1,728	4,657	2,980	3,645	5,241	1,438
1953	..	..	..	..	4,723	1,861	4,872	3,126	3,820	5,539	1,450
Quarter—											
1939.											
March	..	..	..	..	1,673	1,568	1,258	1,461	1,524	1,826	1,198
June	..	..	..	..	1,654	1,575	1,264	1,461	1,522	1,847	1,214
September	..	..	..	..	1,645	1,582	1,264	1,463	1,520	1,854	1,220
December	..	..	..	..	1,657	1,584	1,297	1,472	1,536	1,858	1,210
1947.											
September	..	..	..	..	1,974	1,597	2,367	1,846	1,978	2,630	1,330
December	..	..	..	..	2,035	1,598	2,478	1,853	2,026	2,690	1,328
1948.											
March	..	..	..	..	2,128	1,599	2,511	1,874	2,071	2,781	1,343
June	..	..	..	..	2,197	1,600	2,600	1,900	2,121	2,854	1,346
September	..	..	..	..	2,278	1,601	2,688	1,935	2,175	2,970	1,366
December	..	..	..	..	2,378	1,602	2,748	1,944	2,225	3,050	1,371
1949.											
March	..	..	..	..	2,433	1,603	2,795	1,985	2,263	3,099	1,369
June	..	..	..	..	2,482	1,604	2,968	2,017	2,328	3,182	1,367
September	..	..	..	..	2,497	1,606	3,089	2,047	2,370	3,249	1,371
December	..	..	..	..	2,555	1,608	3,223	2,098	2,433	3,310	1,360
1950.											
March	..	..	..	..	2,633	1,609	3,259	2,134	2,474	3,372	1,363
June	..	..	..	..	2,718	1,611	3,418	2,151	2,546	3,458	1,358
September	..	..	..	..	2,828	1,614	3,501	2,180	2,609	3,545	1,359
December	..	..	..	..	3,020	1,618	3,643	2,271	2,726	4,009	1,471
1951.											
March	..	..	..	..	3,201	1,641	3,760	2,381	2,843	4,142	1,457
June	..	..	..	..	3,443	1,646	4,151	2,498	3,042	4,387	1,442
September	..	..	..	..	3,819	1,651	4,283	2,611	3,224	4,601	1,427
December	..	..	..	..	4,133	1,656	4,429	2,781	3,388	4,850	1,432
1952.											
March	..	..	..	..	4,298	1,672	4,523	2,783	3,481	5,036	1,447
June	..	..	..	..	4,589	1,702	4,685	2,967	3,661	5,156	1,408
September	..	..	..	..	4,633	1,750	4,709	3,072	3,714	5,345	1,439
December	..	..	..	..	4,544	1,789	4,712	3,098	3,722	5,428	1,458
1953.											
March	..	..	..	..	4,599	1,835	4,838	3,118	3,763	5,443	1,446
June	..	..	..	..	4,658	1,857	4,906	3,122	3,805	5,512	1,449
September	..	..	..	..	4,804	1,870	4,880	3,127	3,851	5,591	1,452
December	..	..	..	..	4,831	1,882	4,863	3,136	3,861	5,611	1,453
1954.											
March	..	..	..	..	4,798	1,900	4,880	3,151	3,861	5,622	1,456
June	..	..	..	..	4,774	1,947	4,856	3,137	3,856	5,624	1,459
September	..	..	..	..	4,746	1,970	4,853	3,133	3,851	5,623	1,460

(a) The index numbers given in the separate columns of the table cannot be compared with each other in order to show, for example, the relative cost of housing and food and groceries, since the cost in 1911 in each group or combination of groups is made equal to 1,000. (b) See note (b) on page 102. (c) Index of nominal weekly wage rates divided by "C" Series Retail Price Index Number. (d) Taken back from true base November, 1914 = 1,000 by means of the Food and Rent (All Houses) Index.

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NOTE.—(1) In most cases where figures are available back to 1861, these were shown in the September, 1953 issue of the *Quarterly Summary of Australian Statistics*, pages 112 and 113.

(2) Most of the statistics in this summary relate to the periods shown in the table headings. In those comparatively few cases where the statistics relate to other periods, this is indicated in footnotes.

Item.	Year ended 30th June—							
	1892.	1902.	1912.	1922.	1932.	1942.	1952.	1954.
DEMOGRAPHY(a)—								
Population(b) { '000 Males ..	1,737	2,005	2,382	2,799	3,333	3,599	4,318	4,503.
'000 Females ..	1,504	1,820	2,192	2,712	3,220	3,545	4,221	4,400
Net Oversea Migration .. '000	3,241	3,825	4,574	5,511	6,553	7,144	8,539	8,903
Marriages .. '000	26.9	3.0	74.4	17.5	—10.1	5.2	111.4	42.9
Divorces(d) and Judicial Separations .. '000	24	28	39	47	39	75	77	71
Births .. '000	7.5	7.3	8.8	8.6	6.0	10.6	9.2	8.0
Deaths .. '000	190	399	522	1,502	1,955	3,380	7,327	8,041
Infant Deaths .. '000	110	103	122	136	119	135	193	202
Rate(c) .. '000	34.5	27.2	27.2	25.0	18.2	18.9	22.9	22.9
Rate(c) .. '000	47	46	48	54	57	71	82	80
Rate(c) .. '000	14.8	12.2	10.7	9.9	8.7	10.0	9.7	9.1
Rate(e) .. '000	12.7	10.7	8.4	9.0	5.0	5.3	4.9	4.7
Rate(e) .. '000	115.3	103.6	68.5	65.7	42.1	39.7	25.2	23.3
WAGES (ADULT MALES) (a)—								
Nominal Weekly Wage Index Numbers ..	(f)	848	1,000	1,826	1,752	1,997	4,495	5,539
Real Wage Index Numbers(g) ..	(f)	(f)	1,000	1,087	1,210	1,194	1,439	1,450
PRODUCTION—								
Agricultural—								
Wheat .. Area mill. acs.	3.3	5.1	7.4	9.7	14.7	12.0	10.4	10.8
Yield mill. bus.	26	39	72	129	191	167	160	198
Av. Yield mill. bus.	7.7	7.5	9.6	13.3	12.9	13.9	15.4	18.4
Oats .. Area '000 acs.	246	461	617	733	1,085	1,460	2,365	2,137
Yield mill. bus.	5.7	9.8	9.6	12.1	15.2	22.3	34.5	33.0
Av. Yield mill. bus.	23.3	21.2	15.5	16.6	14.0	15.3	14.6	15.4
Barley .. Area '000 acs.	68	75	116	299	342	784	1,118	1,803
Yield mill. bus.	1.2	1.5	2.1	6.1	6.3	18.0	21.9	41.3
Av. Yield mill. bus.	17.3	20.4	17.7	20.4	18.4	23.0	19.6	23.0
Maize .. Area '000 acs.	284	295	340	305	269	301	170	(h) 180
Yield mill. bus.	9.3	7.0	8.9	7.8	7.1	7.4	4.0	(h) 5.0
Av. Yield mill. bus.	32.6	23.9	26.3	25.7	26.2	24.7	23.7	28.0
Hay .. Area '000 acs.	942	1,688	2,518	2,995	2,635	2,758	1,549	1,935
Yield '000 tons	1,067	2,025	2,868	3,902	3,167	3,575	2,345	3,049
Av. Yield tons	1.13	1.20	1.14	1.30	1.20	1.30	1.51	1.58
Potatoes .. Area '000 acs.	113	110	130	149	145	99	118	(h) 128
Yield '000 tons	380	323	301	388	397	333	509	475
Av. Yield tons	3.37	2.94	2.31	2.60	2.74	3.35	4.31	4.27
Sugar-cane .. Area (i) '000 acs.	45	87	101	128	242	255	282	340
Yield '000 tons	738	1,368	1,682	2,437	4,213	5,154	5,327	9,014
Av. Yield tons	16.2	15.7	16.7	19.0	17.4	20.3	18.9	26.5
Vineyards .. Area '000 acs.	49	64	61	92	113	130	136	138
Wine mill. gals.	3.4	5.3	5.0	8.5	14.2	16.0	35.3	(h) 31.0
Total Area of Crops mill. acs.	5.4	8.4	12.1	15.4	21.2	20.5	19.8	21.1
Pastoral, Dairying, &c.—								
Livestock .. Horses mill.	1.6	1.6	2.3	2.4	1.8	1.6	0.9	0.8
Cattle ..	11.1	8.5	11.8	14.4	12.3	13.6	14.9	15.6
Sheep ..	106	72	97	86	111	125	118	127
Pigs ..	0.9	0.9	1.1	1.0	1.2	1.5	1.0	1.2
Wool(j) mill. lb.	(a) 634	(a) 539	(a) 798	723	1,007	1,167	1,080	1,245
Butter '000 tons	(a) 19	(a) 46	(a) 95	(a) 119	175	168	135	160
Cheese "	(a) 4.5	(a) 5.3	(a) 7.1	(a) 14.6	14.0	30.1	40.6	49.2
Meat(k)—								
Beef and Veal "	(f)	(f)	(f)	339	350	534	582	704
Mutton and Lamb "	(f)	(f)	(f)	218	307	372	282	365
Pork "	(f)	(f)	(f)	11.1	22.7	58.1	35.0	(h) 34.4
Bacon and Ham "	(a) 7.5	(a) 15.2	(a) 23.8	26.2	31.8	42.5	36.6	(h) 36.7
Total Meat "	(f)	(f)	(f)	608	727	1,027	949	1,153

(a) Year ended previous December. (b) At 31st December of previous year. (c) Number per 1,000 of mean population. (d) Decrees made absolute, including decrees for nullity of marriage. (e) Number per 1,000 live births. (f) Not available. (g) Index of nominal weekly wage rates for adult males divided by the "C" Series Retail Price Index Number. (h) Subject to revision. (i) Productive cane. (j) In terms of greasy. (k) Bone-in weight in terms of fresh meat; cured weight, bacon and ham.

Statistical Summary—Australia—continued.

NOTE.—See headnotes on page 113.

Item.	Year ended 30th June—							
	1892.	1902.	1912.	1922.	1932.	1942.	1952.	1954.
PRODUCTION—continued.								
Mineral(a)(b)—								
Copper(c) .. '000 tons	(d)	(d)	(d)	(d)	13.5	20.9	17.9	36.6
Gold(c) .. '000 fine oz.	1,243	3,300	2,484	758	595	1,497	896	1,075
Lead(c) .. '000 tons	(d)	(d)	(d)	(d)	150.8	289.4	212.0	269.3
Zinc(c) .. '000 tons	(d)	(d)	(d)	(d)	66.1	232.6	189.2	239.3
Black Coal .. mill. tons.	4.4	6.9	10.6	12.8	8.4	14.2	17.6	18.4
Brown Coal .. " "	..	..	(e)	0.1	2.2	4.6	7.8	8.3
Forestry—								
Sawn output of native timber mill. sup. ft.	(d)	(a) 452	(a) 605	590	237	914	1,392	1,406
Factories—								
Number of factories '000	(f)	(f)	{ 14.5	18.0	21.7	27.0	45.8	(g)
Persons employed ..	(f)	(f)	{ 312	379	337	725	978	(g)
Salaries and wages paid £m.	(f)	(f)	{ 28	68	56	180	612	(g)
Net value of production—								
Chemicals, &c. .. £m.	(d)	(d)	{ 1.1	3.2	7.9	24.8	63.7	(g)
Industrial metals, &c. ..	(d)	(d)	{ 12.0	23.6	22.8	119.9	413.0	(g)
Textiles, &c. ..	(d)	(d)	{ 6.9	21.0	56.6	(g)		
Clothing ..	(d)	(d)	{ 7.5	19.2	{ 11.1	23.6	81.1	(g)
Food, &c. ..	(d)	(d)	{ 11.8	27.2	{ 28.7	53.2	141.1	(g)
Paper, &c. ..	(d)	(d)	{ 4.2	9.0	{ 17.1	68.2	(g)	
All groups ..	23.3	29.1	{ 47.5	112.5	{ 111.0	316.5	1,024.0	(g)
Value of plant & machinery ..	(d)	(d)	{ 31.4	78.1	{ 121.5	169.2	412.5	(g)
Value of land and buildings ..	(d)	(d)	{ 32.5	67.3	{ 106.6	156.3	360.2	(g)
Net Value of production(h)—								
Agriculture .. £m.	17.0	23.8	38.8	81.9	49.7	64.0	246.7	(g)
Pastoral ..	31.3	27.2	52.7	75.1	43.0	85.4	400.5	(f)
Dairying ..	6.0	7.6	16.1	35.3	22.6	34.3	103.8	(g)
Poultry ..	1.9	2.0	4.0	9.0	5.7	6.5	31.5	(g)
Bee-farming ..	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.4	0.8	(g)
Total, Rural ..	56.3	60.7	111.7	201.4	121.1	190.6	783.3	(g)
Trapping ..	(d)	(d)	{ 4.8	9.1	{ 3.9	10.2	37.9	(g)
Forestry ..	(d)	(d)	{ 1.1	1.4	{ 1.4	1.8	5.7	(g)
Fisheries ..	4.4	2.8	{ 1.1	1.4	{ 1.4	1.8	5.7	(g)
Mines and Quarries ..	12.1	22.0	23.3	20.0	13.5	33.4	97.2	(g)
Total, Non-rural ..	16.5	24.8	29.2	30.5	20.3	50.4	147.5	(g)
Total, Primary ..	72.8	85.5	140.9	231.9	141.4	241.0	930.8	(g)
Factories ..	23.3	29.1	47.5	112.5	111.0	316.5	1,024.0	(g)
Total, All Industries ..	96.1	114.6	188.4	344.4	252.4	557.5	1,954.8	(g)
BUILDING(i)—								
Permits, New Dwellings { '000	(d)	(d)	(d)	(d)	{ 2.1	9.7	32.8	32.0
Permits, All Buildings(j) { £m.	(d)	(d)	(d)	(d)	{ 1.5	9.6	80.4	93.0
					{ 4.6	13.5	116.4	148.3
OVERSEA TRADE—								
Imports .. £m. f.o.b.	(a) 34	(a) 38	(a) 61	94	52	174	1,053	682
Exports .. " "	36	50	79	128	108	169	675	828
Principal Exports(k)—								
Wool .. { mill. lb.(l)	641	529	734	946	903	938	1,036	1,168
Wheat .. { £m. f.o.b.	20	15	26	48	32	58	323	410
Flour .. { '000 tons	258	543	1,477	2,677	3,413	598	1,685	965
Butter .. { £m. f.o.b.	1.9	2.8	9.6	28.6	19.2	4.6	55.3	31.0
Hides and Skins .. { '000 short tons	33	97	176	360	611	414	789	761
Meats .. { £m. f.o.b.	0.3	0.6	1.4	5.5	3.8	4.2	33.0	29.7
Fruit(m) .. { mill. lb.	4	35	102	127	202	130	25	88
Sugar .. { £m. f.o.b.	0.2	1.4	4.6	8.0	10.3	8.1	4.6	16.1
Gold .. £m. f.o.b.	0.9	1.3	3.2	3.1	2.3	6.0	17.1	19.4
Silver and Lead ..	0.5	2.6	4.3	5.5	6.4	14.1	35.5	57.8
Ores and Concentrates, ..	..	0.2	0.5	3.0	4.8	4.0	19.5	32.4
	..	(e)	(e)	(e)	2.5	2.6	6.9	31.6
	..	5.7	14.3	12.0	3.5	11.9	9.2	7.0
	..	1.9	2.3	3.2	2.7	2.9	7.4	32.1
	..	..	(e)	3.7	0.8	1.3	20.4	9.3

(a) Year ended previous December. (b) Breaks in the continuity of the series occurred in 1931 and 1951. (c) Mine production; i.e., metal content of minerals produced. (d) Not available. (e) Less than .05. (f) Owing to variation in classification, effective comparison is impossible. (g) Not yet available. (h) Gross value from 1891 to 1921-22. Prior to 1922 figures are for years ended previous December. (i) Six capital cities and suburbs. (j) Includes additions and alterations. (k) Australian produce except gold, which includes re-exports. (l) In terms of greasy. (m) Excludes fruit juices.

Statistical Summary—Australia—continued.

NOTE.—See headnotes on page 113.

Item.	Year ended 30th June—							
	1892.	1902.	1912.	1922.	1932.	1942.	1952.	1954.
OVERSEA TRADE—continued.								
Principal Imports—		(a)	(a)					
Vegetable foodstuffs, &c. £m. f.o.b.								
Apparel, &c.		3.6	3.7	4.0	2.6	6.1	25.0	25.7
Oil, &c.		10.9	16.2	31.0	15.4	32.7	203.6	113.8
Metals, &c.		1.2	1.6	4.7	5.5	16.2	87.5	83.4
Rubber, &c.		7.8	14.0	22.8	7.4	71.8	392.9	252.1
Paper, &c.		0.5	1.4	1.7	0.8	3.2	35.1	11.7
		1.6	2.6	4.4	4.4	4.3	68.8	34.1
TRANSPORT AND COMMUNICATION—								
Shipping—	(a)	(a)	(a)					
Oversea Vessels, Entrances and Clearances } No. mill. tons	3,778 4.7	4,028 6.5	4,174 10.0	3,111 9.1	3,057 11.4	2,544 10.8	4,136 18.2	4,128 17.7
Oversea Cargo—								
Discharged mill. tons (c)			(b)	2.4	3.0	5.5	14.4	11.3
Shipped " " (c)			(b)	5.8	6.7	4.2	5.7	7.1
Interstate Vessels, Entrances and Clearances } No. mill. tons	(b)	(b)	9,605 13.1	9,782 12.8	7,957 11.1	9,100 12.9	7,524 15.8	9,522 19.2
Interstate Cargo Shipped mill. tons (c)			(b)	5.5	4.0	10.0	9.0	10.6
Government Railways—	(d)	(d)	(d)					
Route-miles . . . '000	10.4	12.8	16.8	23.5	27.0	27.2	26.8	26.6
Passenger-journeys mill.	84	115	228	335	303	475	501	511
Goods and livestock carried '000 tons	9.4	15.5	25.5	31.5	26.1	38.9	44.8	47.8
Train-miles run mill.	29.7	38.2	55.2	56.1	63.8	88.5	93.4	93.5
Tramways and Omnibuses—								
Passenger-journeys—								
Trams . . . mill.			360	569	589	874	686	630
Omnibuses . . .	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	264	555	565
Motor vehicles on the register—								
Cars . . . '000			(b)	102	420	451	1,032	1,200
Commercial vehicles . .					96	251	583	605
Civil Aviation (e)—								
Plane-miles flown . . mill.					2.5	7.8	41.8	41.0
Passengers carried . . '000					57	152	1,829	1,772
Passenger-miles . . mill.					(b)	76	722	702
Freight car-ried '000 short tons					0.1	1.2	57.5	69.5
" " " " '000 ton-miles					(b)	0.9	26.7	32.7
Postal—	(a)	(a)	(a)					
Postal matter dealt with (f) mill. articles	242	324	595	702	(g) 871	g 1,100	g 1,485	g 1,569
Telegrams and cablegrams mill.	10.0	9.9	13.3	16.8	13.9	26.1	29.8	25.1
Telephones—								
Instruments . . '000	7	29	103	259	485	739	1,301	1,475
Lines . . .	(b)	25	85	196	364	531	927	1,050
Calls—Trunk . . mill.	(b)	(b)	(b)	14.0	28.9	45.3	69.4	81.8
Local . . .	(b)	(b)	(b)	221	369	664	968	1,032
Broadcast Listeners' Licences '000				(h) 36	369	1,320	1,961	2,042
PUBLIC FINANCE—								
Commonwealth—								
Consolidated Revenue Fund—	(d)	(d)	(d)					
Revenue . . . £m.		11	21	64	72	210	1,017	1,023
Expenditure . . .		4	15	64	70	210	1,017	967
Net loan fund expenditure . .			1	5	4	213	55	69
Taxation collections . . .		9	16	50	54	180	934	900
State—								
Consolidated Revenue Funds—								
Revenue . . . £m.	(b)	28	41	85	100	152	387	468
Expenditure . . .	(b)	29	41	87	121	149	390	465
Net loan expenditure (i) . .	(b)	9	16	34	6	8	198	167
Taxation collections . . .	(b)	3	5	18	33	57	63	80
Public Debt (j)—								
Commonwealth . . . £m.			6	354	319	638	1,869	1,918
State . . .	a155.1	213	279	519	789	911	1,396	1,689
Total . . .	a155.1	213	285	873	1,108	1,549	3,265	3,607
Overseas . . .	(b)	(b)	194	412	522	616	406	421
In Australia . . .	(b)	(b)	91	461	586	1,033	2,859	3,186

(a) Year ended previous December. (b) Not available. (c) Tons weight plus tons measurement. (d) Year ended 30th June. (e) Regular internal services. (f) Letters, postcards, letter-cards and newspapers. (g) Includes packets. (h) Year 1923-24. (i) Loan expenditure on works, services, &c. (j) At 30th June.

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NOTE.—See headnotes on page 113.

Item.	Year ended 30th June—							
	1892.	1902.	1912.	1922.	1932.	1942.	1952.	1954.
PRIVATE FINANCE—								
Commonwealth Note Issue(a) £m.	(b)	(b)	8	54	51	103	303	344
Cheque-paying Banks—								
Advances(e)	(d) 125	94	109	183	261	270	677	695
Deposits(e)	(d) 98	91	143	289	319	387	1,189	1,326
Bank clearings	(b)	338	662	1,702	1,581	2,828	12,160	11,740
Savings bank deposits(e) ..	15	31	59	154	198	274	892	1,010
Life Assurance(d)(f)—								
Ordinary—								
Policies	'000	414	484	730	871	1,340	2,553	2,893
Sum assured	£m.	108	109	181	285	463	1,212	1,553
Industrial—								
Policies	'000	236	467	973	1,550	2,780	3,843	3,881
Sum assured	£m.	5	10	30	67	127	254	286
Total—								
Policies	'000	650	951	1,703	2,421	4,120	6,396	6,774
Sum assured	£m.	113	119	211	352	590	1,466	1,839
SOCIAL STATISTICS—								
Commonwealth Social Services—								
Age and Invalid Pen- sions	'000(g) ..	..	90	144	256	336	420	472
Child Endowment, Claims in force	'000(g) ..	..	2.2	5.4	11.1	19.3	59.8	81.3
Total Commonwealth Health and Social Services(h) £m.	..	..	..	..	..	11.3	46.6	50.8
War Pensions	'000(g) ..	..	2.2	6.1	11.5	30.9	137.6	176.6
Service Pensions	'000(g) ..	..	..	225	274	220	525	564
State Social Services(i)—	£m.	..	..	7.0	7.4	7.5	31.8	36.8
Education(d)—	'000(g) ..	..	..	..	..	14	17	21
Government Schools—	£m.	..	..	..	..	0.6	1.8	2.7
Schools	'000	6.2	7.0	8.0	9.4	10.1	9.5	7.6
Staff .. ..	..	12.6	14.5	17.0	26.1	33.8	32.1	36.7
Students .. ..	..	561	638	639	819	937	887	1,013
Non-Government Schools—								
Schools	'000	2.0	2.5	1.9	1.7	1.8	1.9	1.9
Staff .. ..	..	6.0	8.3	7.8	8.8	10.0	11.4	13.3
Students .. ..	..	125	149	161	199	221	257	326
Universities(k)—								
Number	4	4	5	6	6	8	9	(j)
Staff(l)	(b)	(b)	249	482	703	1,416	3,082	(j)
Students	'000	1.6	1.8	3.4	8.0	13.9	31.7	(j)
Public Hospitals—								
Number	(d)	(d)	(d)	(d)	(d)			
Staff—Medical	(b)	(b)	355	404	513	566	675	(j)
Nursing	(b)	(b)	1.1	1.5	3.2	3.9	6.9	(j)
In-patients, cases treated ..	(mn) 54	(n) 91	134	215	371	595	896	(j)
POLICE AND PRISONS(d)—								
Police	'000	5.3	5.8	6.4	6.9	8.6	9.7	12.3
Prisons	(b)	(b)	104	91	85	70	69	(j)
Prisoners	'000	(b)	4.3	3.1	2.9	4.2	4.4	(j)
PRICES(d)—								
"C" Series Retail Price Index ..	..	..	1,000	1,680	1,448	1,673	3,124	3,820

(a) At end of June. (b) Not available. (c) Figures for 1891 are averages of weekly balances for the December quarter; the remainder are for the June quarter. All Cheque-paying Banks to 1931-32, Private Trading Banks thereafter. (d) Year ended previous December. (e) 1891 at 31st December, thereafter at 30th June. (f) Existing business in Australia. (g) At 30th June. (h) Excludes war and service pensions. (i) Includes Northern Territory and Australian Capital Territory. (j) Not yet available. (k) Excludes Australian National University. (l) Includes part-time. (m) Year 1891-92 for Victoria. (n) Adelaide Hospital only included in South Australia.